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287	" "	" 17	Transmitting Denver Requi $916.50
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299	Secretary of Treasury	" 23	On Refining at San Fr Br Mt
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March 3rd 8

Sir

Yours of the 29th February is received
The Mint does not purchase old coin
except as Bullion

Respectfully Yours
R. Linderman
Director

Jno. W. Vanzandt & Co
Bankers
Cincinnati
Ohio

March 3. 8

Gent.

I herewith enclose Jay Cooke & Co draft № 3385 on J. Cooke & Co N York for $209.40/100 in payment of bills of Jany 29/68

Messrs Becker & Son
Hudson City
N. J.

Respectfully Yours
A R Lindeman
Disbursing
per A Lackenbach
Asst Clk

Mch 9 8

Gent.

Please find enclosed $12.00 in payment of bill rec'd this day. 1866 & by Return bills receipted by one of the firm.

Yours Resp'y
H. K. Linderman
Director
per Thacher Jr
Dr's Clk

Lillyman & Dana
Lillyman's Journal
New Haven
Conn.

March 8, 8,

Dear Sir,

I feel anxious to know what Congress will do in reference to the appropriation for the Mint & Branches.

The San Francisco appropriation is cut down fearfully:

Estimate

Salaries	30.500	30.500
Wages	191.450	175.000
Incidental Contg Expenses	69.545	80.000
add Examiners Deficiency	270.495	285.500
	361.495	361.495
Appropriation Bill, Salaries 30,500		285.500
Wages 150,000		75.995
Incidentals 80.000	260.500	
Difference	100.995	

assuming that the Proviso to commutation Clause in Deficiency Bill will become a law the Branch Mint will be enormously embarrassed but does not touch Assay & Melting "Deductions".

With regard to the Mint appropriation the item of Machinery should be incorporated in the Incidental Contingent Expenses Item. That

our new Machinery may be paid
for.

The last Coinage fund should not
be entered with as it will lead
to serious embarrassments. If
the proviso be repealed to that extent
that the purchase of materials
& payment for labor in making the
Coins, the Mint will have to
ask for a special appropriation
to cover the expenses,

I should like to know your
opinion on these points before taking
any further action in the premises
My own view is that "Annuals & Profit"
will not include "Valuation".

Please say to the Secretary
that the Gold Medal dies are
nearly completed. Most Banks being
engaged in fixing their Engraving
tools. The Work on them is
very elaborate & requires time. The
Machinery shall be set as fast as the
nature of the work will allow

Very Truly
W. D. Lewis

John Jay Knox Esq

March 8. 8.

L. B. Darling Esq.
Providence R. I.

Dear Sir.

I enclose herewith copy of the Report of the Assayer of the Branch Mint, San Francisco, in reference to the Assets of 1860 which were sold to you and on which you have made a claim for the difference between the result of the Branch & our Assay. Under the facts presented by the Assayer of the Br. Mint San Francisco, I feel it my duty to decline allowing the claim presented by You.

Very Respectfully
H. R. Linderman
Director

(Copy)

Office of Assayer U.S. Mint
San Francisco, Cal Jan 30/67

R. B. Sloan Esq
Superintendent

Dear Sir

In reply to your communication informing me of a reclamation in the matter of the Sweeps of this Branch Mint for 1866, based upon differences in the finenesses of Gold & Silver as reported by this department & as determined by Assayers in France, I enclose an abstract of the results of our assays of the sweeps in question, showing the actual results in grains of each assay of the several lots & the report made upon these assays, in grains and in decimal thousandths. I have also for the sake of comparison, placed in the exhibit the average results of the assays in France. expressed in thousandths. In the majority of cases the report of this Department is higher than that of French Assayers, in three cases the agreements are nearly exact, and in one case they report higher than we. It is a principle recognized by this department that in the Assay of

Sweeps the danger is much greater of not getting all the metal out than it is of obtaining metal which is not present, hence in reporting, as a rule, I favor the highest satisfactory results, though in some cases where the differences are not great, the average of the several assays is taken; hence further, while regretting to be obliged to differ from Assayers of recognized standing my conviction is that the metal obtained by us from the sweeps as reported, must have been in the samples operated upon or it could not have been extracted. Our Assays have always been carefully watched for Iridium, but the samples of the sweeps in question indicated no such uniform occurrence of the metal as the Ercud assays show. The very much larger quantity used by them for the purpose an assay might however give them an advantage over us in the detection of this metal. Its presence however does not affect the question of the differences in the proportions of Gold and Silver in the Sweeps.

Yours very Truly
(signed) B. T. Martin
Assayer

Abstract of results of Assays for Silver

	Gold Grain	Silver Grain	Grain equal to 1000th	Gold Grain	Silver Grain	Gold Grain	Silver Grain
	0.100	0.595					
Lot 1	0.100	0.620					
Nos 1–10	0.100	0.560					
	0.095	0.535	0.100	0.600	0.201	1.252	0.192	1.015
	0.145	0.595					
	0.145	0.600					
Lot 2	0.145	0.595					
Nos 11–20	0.145	0.590					
	0.145	0.625	0.145	0.600	0.302	1.250	0.262	1.190
	0.140	0.535					
Lot 3	0.150	0.530					
Nos 21–30	0.145	0.495					
	0.145	0.500	0.100	0.200	0.312	1.114	0.292	0.975
	0.120	0.500					
Lot 4	0.120	0.510					
Nos. 31–40	0.100	0.470					
	0.110	0.470	0.120	0.500	0.200	1.081	0.245	1.010
	0.170	0.565					
Lot 5	0.170	0.565					
Nos. 41–50	0.160	0.570					
	0.160	0.560	0.180	0.590	0.375	1.187	0.345	1.045
	0.190	0.740					
Lot 6	0.190	0.770					
Nos 51–60	0.180	0.770					
	0.185	0.725	0.190	0.790	0.375	1.625	0.305	0.575

Abstract of result of Assays for 1866
From 102 Troy

	Gold in Grains	Silver in Grains	Grains rejected Gold	Grains rejected Silver	1000th rejected Gold	1000th rejected Silver	Average Gold in 100th	Average Silver in 100th
	0.195	0.595						
	0.195	0.605						
Lot 7	0.210	0.600						
Nos. 60-70	0.200	0.610						
	0.200	0.620	0.200	0.620	0.416	1.290	0.352	0.125
	0.145	0.535						
Lot 8	0.150	0.520						
Nos. 70-80	0.140	0.525						
	0.150	0.540	0.150	0.540	0.312	1.125	0.307	0.170
	0.180	0.640						
Lot 9	0.170	0.610						
Nos 80-90	0.170	0.600						
	0.170	0.610	0.180	0.640	0.375	0.333	0.372	1.420
	0.180	0.600						
	0.170	0.600						
	0.230	0.700						
Lot 10	0.220	0.700						
Nos 90-100	0.220	0.660						
	0.225	0.705						
	0.210	0.660						
	0.210	0.665	0.225	0.705	0.468	1.468	0.442	0.290
	0.210	0.980	Average of the rejected					
Lot 11	0.200	0.940						
Nos. 100-110	0.200 rejected	0.900 rejected						
	0.190	0.850	0.205	0.980	0.427	2.000	0.387	2.820

	Gold in Grains	Silver in Grains	Grains rejected	100ths rejected	Average Assay
			Gold Silver	Gold Silver	Gold Silver
	0.145	0.645			
Lot 12	0.140	0.630			
Nos. 111–120	0.140	0.640	0.145 0.645	0.302 1.343	0.267 1.255
	rejected				
	0.160	1.010			
Lot 13	0.180	1.100			
Nos. 121–130	0.190	1.140			
	0.190	1.320	0.190 1.140	0.396 2.375	0.360 2.090
	0.175	1.155			
Lot 14	0.175	1.125			
Nos. 131–140	0.200	1.140			
	0.200	1.220	0.200 1.150	0.416 2.395	0.372 2.090
	0.290	2.380			
	0.240	2.720			
Lot 15	0.270	2.990			
Nos. 141–147	0.260	2.880			
	0.270	2.940			
	0.260	2.930	0.270 2.950	0.562 6.145	0.515 5.755
	Rejected				
	1.910				
Comics	2.170	1.035			
No 1	2.150				
	2.080		2.170 1.240	4.520 2.791	4.270 2.535
	0.580				
Comics	0.580	average 1.000			
No 2	0.550		0.580 1.000	1.209 2.083	1.392 1.500

Assayer Dept U.S. Branch Mint "Signed" B. F. Martin

San Francisco Cal. January 20 1862

Mch 10 &

Sir:

I herewith Enclose B/L for Raw Chill Rolls shipped to your Branch per Steamer "H Chauncy".

The Cost of the same is $30 which when paid will be chgd to your ordinary acct.

Very Respy
H & L Lindeman
Director
per Thacher
Dr. Clk

Rolf B Hoam Esq
Supt U.S. Br Mint
San Francisco
Cal

March 8

Genl.

Herewith find $5.00 in payment of enclosed bill.

Please return bill receipted in duplicate

Very Truly
H K Linderman
Director
per A Hackett
Disbursing Clk

Mrs
Fr Fleet St
Geo A Bailey
Washn
D C

Mch 12 [illegible]

Sir:

In yours of 6th inst you request small Coins sent to Board & Hirch. Salem Va.

You will please inform me what Cointy Salem is in, as there are three towns of that name in Va.

Very Respy
A K Lenderman
Director
per Thacker
Dis Ak

Cashier
9th Nat'l Bank
New York

Mobile 14th 8

L. B. Darling Esq
Dr Sir

Enclosed I remit you the French Assay statements, mentioned in your letter of the 12th inst.

Very Respectfully &c
H K Lieberman
Vice Pres
per A Hacker
Asst Cash

March 16 /

Sir:

I herewith transmit report of the Supt U S Branch Mint, San Francisco Cal, of the count & examination made January 31st /81 & at that Branch.

Hon
Hugh McCulloch
Secy of Treasy.
Washington
D. C.

Very Respy
Yr Obt Svt
H R Linderman
Director
per A Thacher
Asst Clk

March 17. 8.

Hon Hugh McCulloch,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Sir.

In compliance with the request of the Hon J.W. Nye. the U.S. Senator from Nevada, I have prepared an estimate of the cost of the necessary Machinery, appurtenances &c, for coinage at the Branch Mint recently ordered at Carson City, and transmit my letter containing the same herewith, for your information & with the request that it be handed to Senator Nye.

With great Respect,
Your Obt Servt
W. Robinson
Director.

14th Mch 8

Hon J. W. Nye
U. S. Senate

Dear Sir

I am in receipt of your favor of the 13th inst. The cost of procuring, transporting & fitting up the necessary machinery & apparatus for a coinage of, say $20.000.000, at the Branch Mint edifice recently erected at Carson city Nevada, under the provisions of the Act of Congress Approved March 3d 1863, establishing said Branch, will be about $75.000 (seventy five thousand dollars). This estimate includes all the machinery, apparatus &c of the Assay, Melting & parting, & Coining Departments.

The expediency of providing for the parting & coinage of Gold and Silver at Carson City, was no doubt fully considered by the proper authorities prior to the passage of the Act above referred to, & now that a very substantial edifice has been erected, it would seem proper to put the institution in operation, as was originally contemplated.

The annual production of bullion in

Nevada, is estimated at $20.000.000 (twenty - millions of Dollars) & the State contains within its boundaries an industrious & enterprising population to whom coinage facilities would be of advantage not only for the convenient transaction of business but in a pecuniary point of view, as it costs about five per cent to send bullion to San Francisco & have it returned in coin.

I am informed that sulphuric acid is manufactured in Nevada, & as the materials entering into its manufacture exist in large quantities in that locality, there will be no obstacle in the way of using the Sulphuric Acid process for parting Gold and Silver.

With respect I remain

Your most obt Svt

H. R. Linderman

Director

March 17. 8

Hon Mr Keys
Secretary of the Treasury

Sir,

I have replied to your enquiry in relation to the Act of Madison for compensation for the services rendered by any letter through the Post Office Department of the Treasury, the head of the Department or any Officer of Superintendent a request that it be handed to you. I trust the letter will answer the purpose for which you desired it.

Very truly Yours

H Robinson

March 17 1860

Sir:

In reply to the communication of R K Bolling Esq U S Depositary &c at Louisville Ky. inquiring the cost of a Balance for weighing coin and referred to me for report. I have the honor to submit the enclosed estimate made by Mr Henry Troemner of this city.

I herewith return the letter of Mr Bolling as requested.

Very Respy
Your Obt Svt
A R Lindsay
Director

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secy of Treasy
Washington
D.C.

The price named by Mr Troemner I regard as reasonable A R L

(Copy)

Philada March 16th 1844

Mr Kneeland Esq
Director of Mint.
Philadelphia

Sir:

A set of Standard Balances such as was recently made for the U S Custom House at New Orleans - the beam measuring three (3) feet, will cost, complete with the following weight - (2000 - 1000 - 500 - 300 - 200 - 100 - 50 - 40 - 30 - 20 - 10 - 5 - 3 - 2½ - 1) $80 =

A small balance to detect the weight of single pieces of Coin complete with the following weight 10.5.3.2.1.50 " 40 " 30 " 20 " 10 " 5 " 3 " 2 " 1 " ounce will cost $40 =

Very Resp
(Signed) Henry Kneeland

March 19th 8

Sir

In reply to yours of 17th inst I would state that on examining the records of the Mint, I find that on the 3rd Sept an order was received from your Bank for $ 110.00 Small Coin, which was shipped per Express Nov 19th 1867

I have instructed the Agt of the Express Co to trace the Coin

Cond Nat'l B'k
Titusville
Pa

Respectfully Yours
H R Linderman
Director
per A Backer
Dis Ck

March 19 8

Sir:

I herewith transmit statement of the result of the Annual Assay held at the Mint on the 10th & 11th inst.

Your account has credit with the Treasurer of the Mint for the proceeds of Assay Coins of your Branch converted into Currency as follows.

Gold	$7.632.50	@ 38% Prem	2.909.09
Silver	82.40 " .31	.	25.54
	7.714.90		2.935.43
	2.935.43		
	$10.650.33	Amount Credited to	

Ordinary Fund of your Branch.

I have to request that you restore, in Coin, the Amount of the Assay Coins of your Branch to the proper account from your Ordinary Fund.

The premium realized upon the sale of the proceeds of the Assay Coins will of course be passed to the Credit of the latter Fund.

The foregoing statement includes the Coins for December 1866, they not having been received in time for the Assay of 1866.

Robt D Swain Esq
Supt U S Br Mint
San Francisco

Very Respy
H R Linderman
Director

March 18 8

Capt. J. Dunning Esq
Supt. U.S. Coast Survey Office N.Y.

Dear Sir,

We desire to forward to San Francisco a large Fixed Coining Press. Will you please ascertain and inform me of the cost of transporting the same via the Isthmus. It will weigh about 9000 pounds. If it does not cost too much, we prefer shipping that way as it looks so long via Cape Horn

Yours &c
W. L. Dunnaman
Director.

March 28. 2

Dear Sir.

I received the Coin of Mess
and a design of Mr Sinclair can
be struck, agreed on for us
to return the original, and make
a Fine bronze Gold from, according
to the new Standard
proposed. I mean of course,
as a new Obverse, and
to Shorten further writing and
attention. To this end I have
caused to be prepared a
correct Model of an American
Eagle for the Obverse of Cents
for the Reverse are being prepared.
The Obverse will be the Legend
United States of America
Liberty; the year, the inscription.

– Five Dollars – 25 Cents –
I hope to make it
a creditable price cheerfully
as when obtained a
fine Model of a Real
Eagle.

Very Respectfully
Your Most Obt. Svt.
J. R. Lindermann
Sculptor.

Hon Hugh McCulloch,
Secretary of the Treasury
Washington

March 20 8

Sir:

You will please fill the following requisition received this day from the Superintendent of the U S Branch Mint San Francisco Cal.

	Obverse	Reverse
Double Eagles	8	12
Quarter "		2
Half Dollars	8	12
Dimes	4	6
Half Dimes		6

J B Longacre Engraver

Very Resp
A R Linderman
Director
per Wachter
Dis Clk

20th Mch 8

Robt B. Swain Esq
Superintendent
Dear Sir

Your favor of the 24th ult giving the result of the Annual settlement has been received. The same is very gratifying and affords the most satisfactory evidence of the skill and fidelity with which the operations of your branch are conducted & merits for the institution a continuance of the confidence of the government & the public. As the loss resulting from the alteration of the Assayers reports by the Treasury clerk necessarily fell upon the Melter & Refiner the amount of the defalcation should not be charged to Waste & account but should be restored to the Melter & Refiner by the Treasurer who is responsible for the acts of his subordinates. The Treasurer's remedy will be against the Clerk and his Sureties.

Very Respectfully &c
W Robinson
Director

Mint of the United States
Phila March 20. 1868.

Jas. Y. Dunning Esq.
Supt. Assay Office N.Y.
Sir.

Please accept
my thanks for calling my attention
to the recent decision of the
Commissioner of Internal Revenue
exempting foreign coin & Bullion from
the 3 per ct. percentage. I have
addressed a letter to the
Department in accordance
with Your suggestions & will
communicate with You when an
answer is received. I have
seen somewhere in the Newspapers
that a recent Bill repeals
the Revenue Tax on Wd. & Bullion.
The policy of the Department will
probably conform to the

Statement.

Very Respectfully
W. Roberts Jr
Director.

March 20 8

Sir: I herewith transmit for your information my report in reply to the inquiries contained in the Resolution of the House of Representatives in relation to the Branch Mint San Francisco.

Very Truly
H Rhoudamlac
Director

Robt B Swain Esq
Supt U S Br Mint
San Francisco
Cal.

Sir

July 26th 1868

In compliance with the request contained in your letter of the 21st inst. I have the honor to submit the following report in reply to the inquiries contained in the Resolution of the House of Representatives in relation to the Branch Mint San Francisco

1. In the case of the deficit in the accounts of A. Harraty which occured in 1856 the claim of the United States after due investigation passed into the hands of the Solicitor of the Treasury and the correspondence on file in this Office presents no subsequent information in relation to the claim

2. The deficiency in the Treasurers accounts, caused by the abstraction of the sum of Nine Thousand three hundred and fifty five $\frac{50}{100}$ Dollars in U. S. notes. Twenty Thousand Dollars in Gold Coin by William Macey Pay Clerk of the Treasury, was discovered by the superintendent in making the usual monthly count and examination

-ation at the close of the month of December 1865

The facts relating to the case are fully stated in the Communication of the Superintendent to the then Director of the Mint Hon James Pollock dated January 8th 1866 a copy of which marked A. is transmitted herewith. A copy of the Directors letter calling the attention of the Department to the defalcation dated February 2d 1866 is also transmitted (B)

Soon after assuming the duties of this Office I received from the Superintendent a report of the result of his examination and count of monies on hand at the close of the month of March 1867 in which the deficit of $20.000 gold coin was noted.

In transmitting this report to the Department I stated that the defalcation of the Treasurers Pay Clerk had occurred more than a year previous, and had no doubt been thoroughly investigated by the proper authority, and that the loss would no doubt be made good by the Treasurer and his sureties, and that therefore, I would not take no further action on the subject unless specially instructed to do so by the Department.

I have no information as to whether or not the amount of the defalcation has since been restored to the Treasury, but am under the impression that the deficit on the Treasury accounts still exists.

With respect to the present condition and management of the Branch Mint I have reason to believe that the business is conducted with skill and fidelity, and that the Institution enjoys the confidence of the public.

Soon after I was informed of the abstraction of the Assayer's report by a Clerk in the Treasurer's Office I forwarded a copy of the pamphlet sent herewith marked C. containing general instructions, and regulations for the transaction of business at the Mint and Branches and requested the Superintendent to inform me whether the same were observed at San Francisco. In his reply dated Feby 5th 1868 that Officer says, "In answer to your inquiry whether the regulations in the printed Copy which you inclose are in full force in this Branch I will say that they are strictly adhered to in every

particulars. The only official information which I have of any controversy between the Superintendent and Treasurer was derived from the correspondence between them in relation to the appointment of the deposit Metters. submitted to me by the Department in May last. My report thereon, a copy of which is transmitted via Key West explains the points then in dispute, and my views in relation to the same. No subsequent information of any disagreement between the Superintendent and Treasurer has been received at this Office

The following telegram from the Superintendent dated San Francisco 24th inst and received by me to day, gives all necessary information in relation to the loss resulting from the alterations of the Assayers reports

A. R. Leidesdorff

Director Mint Phila

Annual settlement entirely satisfactory. The Wastage in Coining Department was One hundredth and eighteen Ounces gold and seventy six ounces silver. The wastage was the most favorable [illegible]

wer. Seven Ounces gold and two thousand and forty seven Ounces Silver. making actual wastage in both departments One hundred and eleven Ounces gold, and nineteen hundred and seventy One Ounces Silver for the year. The loss resulting from the alteration of Assayers report by Treasurer Clerk is about Thirteen thousand Dollars. I have asked for instruction from the Secretary of the Treasury how to dispose of the Case and am awaiting her answer

Signed Robt. B. Swain
Supt

It is proper to add that the result of the Annual Settlement, as stated in the dispatch of the Superintendent, is very satisfactory the Wastage being very much within the limits allowed by law

Very Respectfully
H. R Linderman
Director

"Signed"

March 19th 8

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of the Treasury

Sir

I transmit herewith for your examination and such suggestions and modifications as you may think proper to make, a communication addressed to the Chairman of the Coinage committee of the House of Representatives in compliance with his request in relation to a system of minor coins accompanied by specimens of the proposed coinage, and a Bill containing the necessary provisions for carrying the same into effect.

The principal objection to the proposed coinage is the adding to the numerous varieties already in circulation & the resemblance of the cent to the three and five cent silver coins. But the advantages of the proposed issues, more than balance, in my opinion, the objection stated. The working of two different alloys, in the manufacture of minor coins is inconvenient and often troublesome, as the tin and Zinc composing

with copper, the alloy for the bronze pieces, have to be kept entirely separate from gold and silver, when these metals are being manipulated for coinage. This is the chief advantage of making a cent of nickel copper, and discontinuing the coinage of the one & two cent bronze pieces.

The proposed cent is a very neat coin and if the coinage of the three and five cent silver coins is discontinued, as proposed, it will remove to a great extent the objection arising from its resemblance to those coins, particularly the five cent or half dime.

The proposed series is perhaps the best system of minor coins that can be adopted, being of the same alloy, color, & devices and more difficult to counterfeit than any other known alloy.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Svt
A Loudenman
Director

March 18th 18

Hon William D. Kelley
Chm Com on Coinage &c
Sir

As requested in your favor of the 23d ult I have caused to be prepared and forward herewith, specimens of a new series of nickel-copper coins composed of the same alloy as the present 5¢ nickel-copper (25 per cent Nickel & 75 per ct copper) and weighing respectively, $23\frac{15}{100}$ grains (1½ grams); $46\frac{30}{100}$ grains (3 grams); and $77\frac{16}{100}$ grains (5 grams.).

After a full examination and consideration of the subject I have concluded to recommend the adoption of the one cent piece weighing $23\frac{15}{100}$ grains, and the increase of the weight of the 3¢ piece from 32 to $46\frac{30}{100}$ grains, the weight of the 5¢ coin to remain as now issued, but to be slightly increased in diameter. This recommendation contemplates the discontinuance of the coinage of the one and two cent bronze pieces. The proposed coinage will give us the advantages arising from working but one alloy, & having our minor coins of future issue of the same emblems, devices, material, and color.

It is proposed to have the head of Liberty

on the obverse, and the numerals I; III; V; on the reverse of these coins: the numerals to be raised sufficiently to render the coins plainly distinct by the touch from our gold and silver coins.

It is also recommended that the coinage of the 3¢ & 5¢ silver coins be discontinued. The coinage of a ten-cent piece in any metal, or metals other than silver is regarded as decidedly objectionable as well as impracticable.

In view of the large amount of minor coins now in circulation & the ability of Mint to meet any demand likely to arise for them, it is evident that the time has arrived for the withdrawal from circulation of the Ten-cent Treasury note and for discontinuing the issue thereof in the future. *

I am, Sir,

Your most obt svt

N. R. Linderman

Director

* A Bill containing the necessary provisions for carrying the foregoing recommendations into effect has been prepared and is transmitted herewith.

A Bill

for the coinage of nickel-copper pieces of Five cents & under.

1. Be it enacted &c. That from and after the first day of June next or sooner if practicable there shall be coined at the Mint of the United States, and such of its branches as the Director of the Mint with the approbation of the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe, the following pieces, to be composed of one fourth nickel and three fourths copper, or as near to that proportion as may be, viz: a piece of one-cent

to weigh one and one-half grams, or twenty three and fifteen hundredths grains; a piece of three cents, to weigh three grams, and a piece of five cents to weigh five grams; and the present coinage of one, three and five cent pieces, whether of bronze, nickel-copper, or silver, and the issue of Treasury notes of ten cents shall thereupon cease.

2. That in adjusting the weight of the coins provided by this Act, there shall be no greater deviation allowed

than three grains for the cent piece and four grains for the other pieces. And in the manufacturing the coins and accounting for the same, and for materials used the same duties and responsibilities shall devolve upon the respective officers of the Mint as are now required by Law.

3. That the same legal penalties as are provided by Act of May 16th 1866 in relation to the coinage of five-cent pieces, shall be in force for counterfeiting any of the coins pro-

vided for by this Act, or knowingly issuing or passing such counterfeit coins.

4. That any of the coins provided for by this Act, shall be a legal tender to the amount of one dollar in any one payment and no more.

5. That the Treasurer of the Mint (or Branch Mint) shall keep and render an account of the profits arising from the coinage provided for by this Act, that is to say, the difference between the cost of the

metal, the necessary labor & machinery with the expenses of distribution of the coins on the one hand; and the amount received for such coins on the other; & these profits shall from time to time be paid into the Treasury of the United States.

6. That the coins provided for by this Act, shall be procured & distributed in like manner as is now provided by law in regard to pieces of Bronze or Nickel-copper

March 19 / 8

Sir:

I have this day forwarded to you, through the Secretary of the Treasury (as is customary) my views in relation to a new series of Minor Coins, accompanied by Specimens, and a Bill containing the necessary provision for carrying the same into effect; all of which is submitted for the consideration of the Committee. I have reported favorably on the proposed issue and made such explanation to the Secretary of the Treasury as will I hope secure his endorsement of the proposed coinage.

Very Respy.
W R Linderman
Director

Hon D. D. Kelley
Chairn Com on Coinage
H R
Washington
D. C.

Copy of the Letter

20 Nov 8

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of the Treasury
Sir

The enclosed slip cut from the N. Y. Times of yesterday, calls my attention for the first time to an important change in the construction of the Revenue Law, respecting the tax upon Bullion. We have heretofore imposed the tax upon all bullion Gold & Silver which did not bear the U. S. Revenue Stamp. This decision of the commissioner exempts not only any foreign bars or uncoined bars of gold and silver, but also foreign coins of every description.

I respectfully suggest that specific instructions ought to be addressed by the Government through the Director, to the different Mint establishments. The decision appears to be just and ought to be put in force in the Mint, Branches, & Assay offices

With great Respect
Your Obt Servant
A. Loudeman
Director

Copy of the slip enclosed in letter to Secy

Treasury Department
Office of Internal Revenue
Washington, Jan 14th 1868

Sir:

My attention has been called by Dr Houston, Superintendent of the San Francisco Assaying and Refining Office, on behalf of the assayers and refiners of bullion at San Francisco, Cal, to the subject of taxing bullion produced outside of the United States and assayed refined, coined in this country or transported out of the country.

From an examination of the Act of June 30th 1864, as reported by the Committee of Ways and Means and of the succeeding modifications of the particular clause of the ninety-fourth section relating to bullion made prior to the final passage of the bill, I am satisfied that it was the intention of Congress to impose the tax

upon the production of gold and Silver, and not upon the processes of assaying or refining bullion, considered in the light of manufacturing or producing processes.

This being the case, I can see no good reason for imposing any restrictions upon the assaying, refining or coinage of gold of foreign production, which would have a tendency to discourage the importation of gold or encourage its exportation.

Whenever therefore it can be clearly and satisfactorily shown by the assayer that gold assayed by him is of foreign production, he will not be required to pay the tax of one half of one per cent. The only inquiry that need be instituted will relate to the origin of the gold, leaving the future or final disposition thereof to be determined according to the pleasure of the owner. When an assayer

claims exemption from the tax on the ground that the gold is of foreign production, he should be able to show from the entries made upon his books at the time the gold was received by him, the names of the parties depositing the same, numbers of packages in which it was contained, and the assayers, that the question was one of foreign production. All gold dust deposited for refining and assaying must be regarded as liable to the tax of one half of one per cent. The substance of this letter or circular please communicate to the several assayers in your district, and also to the Superintendent of the United States Mint

Yours respectfully

(Signed) E. H. Rollins, Commissioner

Lt. H. G. Wagner, Esq. United States

Assayer, San Francisco Cal.

March 20. 8.

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir.

I transmit herewith for your information a statement of the amount of Wastages, Receipts & Expenses of the Branch Mint San Francisco during the last two Years: also, a Copy of the Superintendents letter covering the same. This information was requested by me in order that a Record of the same might be kept in this office. It is to be kept in a Book for that purpose embracing the Mint Branches & Assay Offices.

I deem it a duty to express my Satisfaction with the condition and management of the Branch Mint. It has in my opinion been unjustly assailed. It must be remembered that the Mint is a Manufactory and the Machinery, Apparatus &c of a character

to require constant repairs to keep the same in good order this accounts for what is otherwise regarded as heavy expenses

I have the honor to be
Your most obedient
Servant
A R Lindsman
Director of the Mint

Hon A. R. Lindsman Esq
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

Dear Sir.

I beg leave to enclose to you herewith a tabular statement of the amount of Bullion Gold & Silver deposited received at the U. S. Branch Mint in San Francisco & the amount of Coinage & parting charges on the same together with the Annual expenses for the year ending 30th June last as required by the letter of the 20th June last.

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for other
as heavy expenses

'Copy'

U.S. Branch Mint
San Francisco Cal Feb 24/68

Hon H.R. Linderman Esq
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

Dear Sir:

I beg leave to enclose to you herewith a tabular statement of the amount of Wastage on Gold & Silver deposits received at the U.S. Branch Mint in San Francisco, & the amount of coinage & parting charges on the same together with the annual expenses for the past 11 years, as requested in your letter of the 20th Dec last.

Not having received the official figures for the year 1867 the estimates are nearly approximate, but so near the fact that the general result can not be altered. It will be noticed that while the coinage for the past five years has been larger than for any preceding period, the expenses have been smaller, & that the institution has been placed nearly upon

a paying basis. In the year 1866, the revenue derived was larger than the income, & in the following year the difference was only $/0. Owing to the necessity of quite extensive repairs upon the present dilapidated mint structure, the expenses during the past two years have been larger than they would otherwise have been.

The Revenue in 1867 was much comparatively owing to the fact that the deductions for parting were light (being $48.000 against $12.000 in 1866). The deposits of refined Gold in that year were large.

Hoping this data will answer your purpose. I am

Yours very respectfully
(signed) Robt. P. Swain
Superintendent

Statement of the amount of Wastage on the Gold at San Francisco, and the Amount of Coinage and Expenditures from January 1st 1857

Years	Date of Settlement	Gold Wastage	Silver Wastage	Silver Excess	Parting Charges including profit on Silver	Coinage Purchase Charges
1857	November 12th	19 621/1000 ozs	45 110/100 ozs	.....	$ 86.199.50	$ [illegible]
1858	October 16th	16 651/1000 ozs	.....	2846 41/100 ozs	$ 127.860.95	" 85.568.40
1859	December 31st	7 992/1000 ozs	.....	1199 13/100 ozs	$ 101 843.25	" 64.433.94
1860	December 31st	172 33/1000 ozs	.....	402 1/100 ozs	" 57.436.81	" 56.387.22
1861	December 31st	191 170/1000 ozs	200 48/100 ozs	.....	" 102.129.61	" 78.799.65
1862	December 31st	234 236/1000 ozs	.....	424 22/100 ozs	123.448.27	86.875.35
1863	December 31st	229 761/1000 ozs	.....	2011 19/100 ozs	118.557.42	98.641.32
1864	December 31st	173 881/1000 ozs	.....	1823 64/100 ozs	109.031.34	81.906.79
1865	December 31st	173 835/1000 ozs	.....	4170 77/100 ozs	151.089.28	106.600.00
1866	December 31st	114 259/1000 ozs	.....	2676 05/100 ozs	128.294.41	87.083.43
1867	December 31st	Excess 7 282/1000 ozs	.....	2046 87/100 ozs	70.683.64	94.990.20

San Francisco Dec. 27th

and Silver deposits received at the U. S. Branch Mint Parting Charges on the same together with the Annual to January 1st 1868.

Total Parting Coining charge or Total Revenue	Total Coinage	Expenses in U.S. Currency	Value of U.S. Money compared with Gold	Expenses in Gold	Comparative per centage of Expenses to Revenue derived
$186.037.04	$12.540.000.00	. . . . .		$353.114.79	189 8/10 %
"213.429.35	"19.423.598.26	. . . . .		326.279.39	152 9/10 %
"166.277.19	"14 234.240.55	. . . . .		286.908.96	172 6/10 %
"113.824.03	"12.461.911.52	. . . . .		287.512.31	252 7/10 %
"180.929.26	"12.690.485.61	. . . . .		249.947.49	138 2/10 %
"210.323.62	"16.187.987.65	. . . . .		273.252.14	129.9/10 %
"217.198.74	"18.552.598.68	$299.619.95	88 %	263.665.56	121 7/10 %
"190.938.13	"19.536.809.02	"257.730.77	69 7/10	179.609.75	94 %
"257.777.29	"19.144.875.50	"509.513.57	54 9/10	279.819.70	108 %
"210.377.84	"18.940.592.64	"383.627.53	72 1/10	277.416.84	128 6/10 %
"165.673.90	"19.370.534.92	"327.758.76	73 6/10	241.230.45	143.2/10 %

1.68 "Signed" Robt B. Swain Superintendent

23d Mch 8

Sir

I enclose copy of letter from Sec of Treasury in reference to Bullion Tax. We will delay any action in the premises until the Bill now before the House repealing the tax on domestic bullions acted on. A section in the House Appropriation Bill contains in Lieu of the Mint items a Proviso requiring all profits of the Mint and Branches to be "covered" into the U.S. Treasury & not to be drawn out except on specific appropriations. This is understood to include existing and accruing "deductions". How will this affect your office? — Your appropriation stands as follows in the Bill " for salaries of superintendent, assayers, & melter & refiner, assistant assayers, officers and clerks $25,000. for wages of workmen, in addition to unexpended balances of former appropriations $40.000 for incidental & contingent expenses, $50.00 "

I have protested against this Proviso but so far without result. I am going to Washington to see the Sec. & Finance Committee about it.

Very Respectfully

W. H. Landerman

Dir

Gov T. Drummond

"Copy"

Treasury Department
Office of Comptroller of the Currency
Washington March 21. 1868

Sir

Your letter of 20th inst. suggesting that specific instructions be addressed by the Secretary through the Director of the Mint to the different branches and Assay offices relative to the exemption of foreign bullion from Internal Revenue tax is received. The internal revenue bill now under consideration exempts both foreign and domestic bullion from tax. It will probably be best therefore to await the action of Congress before issuing instructions.

Very Respectfully
(signed) J. F. Hartley
Asst Secretary

Asst. H. R. Linderman
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

March 23

Sir:

Referring to your letter of Nov 7th last, in which you stated that there is an unexpended appropriation for enlarging the Branch Mint San Francisco Cal of $45.000, I have to request that you will place in the hands of the Treasurer of the Mint the sum of Eleven thousand three hundred Dollars ($11.300) out of the said appropriation to be used as follows

For One large Double Geared Coining Press	$8.000
Two pairs finished Cast Steel Rolls (Made at Krupps Essen Prussia)	3.000
Two pairs chilled Iron Rolls	300
	$11.300

The Large Press ordered in October last, for the Mint is ready to ship, and the Cast Steel Rolls are expected soon. The Chilled Iron Rolls have been forwarded for as essential the Cast Steel Rolls are received.

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Sec of Treasury

Very Respy Yr obt
W. H. Lindeman
Supt

March 19 8

Sir:

Referring to my communication of 19th inst reporting proceeds of Assay Coins I have to request that the Amount be allowed to remain in the hands of the Treasurer of the Mint to meet purchases that have been & may be made for your Branch.

Very Respy
H. R. Linderman
Director

Robt B Swam Esq
Supt U.S. Mint
San Francisco
Cal

Dr

2356.75
466.28
1890.47
425.87
2316.34

2356.75
425.87
2782.62
466.28
2316.34

Cr

466.28

70 30
81.35
49.07
67.90
124.90
32.35
425.87

Mch 23 8

Gent:
Please find enclosed check for
$300 in payment of bill 2by 15th Chief
Roll for Branch Mint San Francisco Cal
Please receipt the enclosed
duplicate bill & return

Very Truly
A L Linderman
Director
per A Kacher Jr
Div Clk.

A. P. A Garrison Esq
Pittsburgh
Pa

March 23 8

Sir:

In accordance with the request contained in yours of 16th inst. I herewith enclose a statement of the gross weight & tare of the 24 Barrels Cents sold you by the Treasurer of the Mint.

Very Respy
H R Linderman
Director
per A Thacher
Asst Ass

L B Darling Esq
Providence
R I

March 23d 8

Dr. A. R. Lindeman
Director

Sir

The following is a statement of the grop. tare and nett weight of twenty four bbls of Gold and Silver Sweeps, delivered to the Treasurer by the Melter & Refiner, on the sixth of Sept 1867 with the Values of each lot, as reported by the Assayer

These weights are of the Sweeps in the Condition in which it was packed at the time when Samples are taken by our assayer, to determine its Value.

A loss of weight may occur from water drying out, but an increase of Value is the consequent result, in inverse ratio to loss of weight.

The Mint cannot be held responsible for accidental loss of Sweep from the bls in transit

over

1st Lot of 14 Barrels.

No	Gross Wt	Tare
170	466 lb	57
171	437	52
172	462	53
173	381	49
174	429	54
175	436	65
176	459	59
177	354	44
178	326	46
179	334	50
180	366	50
181	390	47
182	294	45
183	297	43
	5445	714
	3749.	487
	9194 -	1201 Net 7993 lb

2nd Lot of ten Bbls.

No	Gross Wt	Tare
184	303	42
185	311	45
186	352	45
187	301	48
188	323	48
189	328	47
190	451	55
191	429	50
192	434	51
193	517	56
	3749	487

		Gross Value per lb	Silver Value per lb.	Total Value per lb.	Gross	Total
Nos 170 - 183 inclusive	4731 lbs.	$ 0.383	$ .052	$ .435	Gross 1810.95 Silver 246.04	$ 2057.99
" 184 - 193	3262	$ 0.097	$ 026	$ .123	Gross 316.42 Silver 84.81	$ 401.23
						$ 2459.22

Very truly yours

"Signed" Jno H. Taylor Asst. M & C

Mch 23 8

Gent:

Please find enclosed a blank Bond of Indemnity. The Bond referred to in yours of 19th inst has not been received at this office.

Yours Truly
H. R. Linderman
Director
per Thacher
Dis Clk

M. P. Wilson & Roder
Greensborough
N. C.

Mch 24 8

Sir:

In reply to yours of 21st inst. I would state that the value of a deposit is paid in kind, but it will not be the identical bullion deposited.

Burlington Silver Mining Co
Burlington Pt

Henry Buxby
H C Linderman
Directo
per A Thacker Jr
Asst Clk

25 Mch 8

D. B. Smith Esq
Cash[r] Richmond Va

Sir

Your letter to the Secretary of the Treasury in reference to a deposit stated to have been deposited at the Mint on the 19th July last for nickel copper coins has been referred to this office & this day replied to. This money was not deposited at the Mint but was retained in the hands of Adams Ex[s] to settle to-day when it was brought to the Mint & the nickel copper coin forwarded therefor. You state to the Secretary that you hold a receipt for the amount deposited at the Mint. I will thank you for an exact copy of the receipt.

Permit me to add that had you at any time addressed a letter of enquiry to the Mint or to the party who issued the receipt, it would have resulted in obtaining the information now furnished.

It is but just to Adams Express Company to state that the error in this and

a few other similar cases which have come
to our notice arose from the clerk who had it
in charge being taken suddenly ill with de-
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I have respectfully &c
(Signed) A. K. Lindermann
Director

25 Mch 8

Messrs Drexel & Co

Gentlemen

I have yours of 23d inst and send you herewith a printed pamphlet and circular which contain the information in detail you desire

Very Respectfully &c
W Kneedler
Director

25th Mch 8

J. J. Hartley Esq
Asst Sec'y Treasury

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your reference to this office of a letter from J. B. Smith, Cashier, Richmond Va in reference to $1000 alleged to have been deposited at this Mint on 19th July last for nickel-copper coin & for which no returns were made. In reply I have the honor to inform you that the deposit referred to was not made at this Mint as stated. On enquiry however of the Adams Ex Co I learn that there is in their office a deposit which they believe belongs to Mr Smith and they have this day forwarded the amount in nickel-copper coin.

It is but just to the Adams Ex Co to forward their letter of explanation to me, in which it is stated that the error arose from the fact that in July last the clerk who had charge of that branch of the business was

suddenly

suddenly attacked with desease of the brain and left his papers &c in confusion. A few other cases similar in character have come to our knowledge & have been promptly rectified by the company.

The letter of Mr Smith and the report of the Adams Exp Co are herewith

I am &c

Your Most Obt Svt

H. Robinson

Director

(Copy)

Adams Express Company
Philadelphia March 24th 64

H. D. Linderman Esq
Director U.S. Mint

Dear Sir

On the 20th July 1864 one of our Clerks at the Office received $1.000 for Coin from the Mint but neglected to make a Memorandum where to send it. At the time he was sick & left the Office & we had no means of knowing who it came from or who it was to go to.

We have held it waiting for some one to enquire for it. On examining the letter from the National Exchange Bank of Richmond Va to the Treasury Dept at Washington referred to me. I am satisfied the money belongs to that Bank and I have therefore sent them $1.000 in 5¢ Coin this day. I regret this delay for it may seem the fault of the Mint, while it is solely the fault of the Clerk receiving the Money in not making a Memorandum of it destination

Respy Yrs &c C. Thomson
Supt Mint Western Dept & Co

March 25 [illegible]

Sir:

The specimen contained in yours of 12th inst contains no trace of gold

N. R. Platts
Minden
Claiborne Parish
La.

Very Respy
H. R. Linderman
Director
per Attached
Asst Clk

March 25 /

Sir:
The specimen contained in yours
of 12th inst contains no trace of gold

N. R. Pratt
Munden
Claiborne Parish
La.

Very Respy
Yr. Obt. Servt
J. K. Lindeman
Chemist
per Attached
Asst. Clk

Mch 26 8

Sir:

I herewith transmit Requisition of the Supt Branch Mint Denver Col for 9.728 with my approval.

I have to request that you will give it early attention

Very Respy.
Your obt Svt
H. R. Linderman
Director
per A'Thacher
Dpc Clk

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secy of Treasy
Washington
D C.

March 28. 8.

Hon Wm D. Kelley,
Chairman Committee of Coinage H.R.

Sir,

On reading over carefully the Press copy of the Coinage Bill, I find that the Clerk who transcribed my manuscript, omitted the word "law" in 6th. line of sec 1. between the words one & three, which please correct by adding or supplying the omitted word "law" which is necessary to discontinue the two cent Bronze coin. I refer to the Manuscript Bill. The reading of the section as printed in Bill will show you where the word is omitted.

Very Respt'y,
H Linderman
Director.

March 28 8

Sir:

I am in receipt of your communication of 24th inst concerning a draft for $21.50 in your hands for charges made on Assays of Ores and requesting directions as to its disposition

You will retain the amount in your hands until the appropriation Bill now pending in the House of Representatives is acted upon, as it provides for the proper disposition of all such cases of Revenue.

Very Resp'y
W. Robertson
Director

J. H. Jones Esq
Assayer
U.S. Mint
Charlotte
N.C.

March 28th 8

Sir

The usual monthly count and examination made at the close of business hours (27th) inst) exhibited the following balances in the hands of the Treasurer of the Mint

Gold	$ 644.339.50
Silver "	31.338.81
Ordinary Fund	40.962.21
Copper "	310.682.27
San Francisco Sp Dt	10.024.13
Denver "	696.02
Charlotte "	199.14
	$1.041.242.88

Corresponding with the balances as stated on that officers books of account

Very Respectfully &c

H R Linderman

Director

Hon Hugh McCulloch

Secretary of Treasury

Washington

D.C.

(Copy)

Mch 28 8

Jno Jay Knox
Deputy Comptroller Currency
Washington DC

I send you letter to-day for
Committee in reference to
appropriations and other
matters we spoke of.
(Signed) H. C. Luiderman
Director

March 28 8

Sir:

I deem it proper to again call your attention to the subject of the Appropriations for the support of the Mint & Branches for the next fiscal year.

The Proviso contained in Bill H. R. 605 p 41 lines 1002 to 1005 inclusive, if passed will require the funds arising from the deductions imposed for melting, parting, refining, & toughening of the precious metals to be paid into the Treasury of the United States as a "profit" the same as the Seignorage on the Gold & Silver Coinage. Under existing laws these charges are available for the expenses attending the operations referred to, being imposed for that purpose and required to equal but not exceed the same. The precedent for the laws on this subject was established in providing for the Copper Coinage on the organization of the Mint in 1792 and has been recognized in

in all subsequent Acts of Congress.

There does not appear to be any sufficient cause for changing the law on this subject, on the contrary there is a strong objection to it arising from the fact that it is difficult to estimate for appropriations to meet the expenses referred to, as they depend on the amount of business transacted at each institution

At the principal Mint the amount of metals and the expenses of labor for the minor coinage depends entirely on the demand for these Coins, which will amount to from one & a half to perhaps five millions of Dollars during the next year. The cost of the material, labor &c for this coinage is about one fourth it nominal value. The net profit of the same are from time to time paid into the treasury of the United State. The profits from this source thus transferred from the 1st of April 1864 to March 1st 1865, eleven months, was Eleven Hundred thousand Dollars.

The "deductions" from deposits of

of Gold & Silver at the principal Mint do not amount to more than from five to ten thousand dollars per Annum, in consequence of most of the deposits thereat being of a character not requiring refining or parting

At San Francisco the "deductions" amount to from Fifty to Sixty thousand Dollars, in gold, Annually. Under existing laws and regulations the amount is paid monthly into the Treasury of the U. S. to the credit of the appropriations for the support of that Institution and is drawn out again on the Superintendents requisitions.

It is proper to state that the "deductions" are received in Coin which is transferred to the U S Treasury and a corresponding sum in U S Notes drawn out, the Treasury thus receiving gold Coin in exchange for U S Notes: The ordinary expenses of the Branch Mint are increased to the extent of the premium on the amount of gold thus exchanged with the Treasury.

The same remarks apply to the U S Assay Office New York, where the "deductions" amount to from Sixty to

Fifty

Fifty thousand dollars annually, except that at this Institution the coin arising from the deductions from depositors is sold from time to time and the premium realized carried to the credit of the fund for ordinary or incidental expenses.

Believing after a careful examination that the transfer of the deductions from depositors to the Treasury of the United States gives the accounting officers of the Treasury a proper and thorough supervision of all the receipts & disbursements of funds at the Mint and Branches, and that no abuses have grown up under existing laws & regulations, I respectfully recommend that no alteration thereof be made.

If however the Proviso referred to should be retained it will be necessary to add to the estimate for the support of the Mint & Branches the amount of the estimated deductions at each Institution

I am very Respy
Yr obt Svt
W. R. Linderman
Director

Hon
Hugh McCulloch
Secy of Treasy
Washn D.C.

March 28 8

Sir:

At the close of business hours this day, I made examination of the books & monies on hand in the Office of the Asst Treasurer U S at Philadelphia and found a balance of $5.465.480.78 which corresponds with his statement of account.

In the above the following was counted as Cash viz
Certificate of Temporary Loan $1.026.92

Hon Hugh McCulloch Very Respy
Secy of the Treasy
Washington
D.C.

Capt Col.
H. D. Lindsman
Director

March 28. 8.

Hon Hugh McCulloch,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Sir.

I beg to call your attention to the propriety and necessity of procuring an increase of the salaries of those of the female clerks employed in the Office of the Treasurer of the Mint of the United States. These clerks receive but Fifteen Hundred Dollars per annum a sum inadequate for the support of their families and at least five Hundred Dollars less than is allowed by law to clerks of corresponding grade & duties at the Assay Office here York & the Branch Mint San Francisco &c. These clerkships are responsible positions & are filled by gentlemen of character, efficiency & ability. I therefore ~~ask~~ respectfully and earnestly request that you will have their salaries increased to Two Thousand Dollars per annum

I attend herto a memorandum of the date of their appointments &c

Very respectfully,
Your obt. servant,
H. R. Linderman
Director.

Memorandum.

John L. Lungren calculator Clerk, $1500 per annum.
appointed Sept. 15, 1853 to fill vacancy
occasioned by the resignation of Gen. H.
Edelman transfer to Assay Office
N.Y.

Henry L. Cochran $1500 appointed asst. Chemist
Clerk in 1862.
promoted to Chemist Clerk
May 1. 1864 — on removal of incumbent
the Assay for cause. (defalcation)

L. K. Cotterill Accountant. $1500 — appointed
in 1864 —

March 26. 8.

Gen. T. Dunning Esq.
Supt. Army Offer Ms.

Sir.

I enclose
report of Rep't Book in reference to your
order for cows for milking Furnaces. fire
brick lining &c from which it appears
that your order was not attended
to. If you require them for immediate
use, we will send them from furnace
now lining, they from open cows
from our stock.

Mr Hunter called at the
Office this morning & informed me
that he is the person of the Rebels
who made the cows immediately
ordered.

Please advise me of
your wishes in the premises.

Respectfully Yours
W. Robinson
Director.

March 28th 8

(Copy)

Dr. A. R. Linderman
Director U. S. Mint
Dear Sir

In reply to the letter you rec'd from the Supt. of the N.Y. Ass Off. in relation to furnace doors. I have to remark, that I recollect the circumstances detailed very well.

My impression is that Mr. B. Hunter, who makes these doors, has wanted to receive a direct order from the Ass Off. until the whole subject has been forgotten.

We have and can spare from our own stock in the Mint four complete furnace doors and the lining tiles sufficient for a dozen doors

Respectfully Yours
"Signed" Jas. C. Booth

30 Inches 8

Messrs Morgan & Co

Sirs

You will please have the Coining-press and Rolls for the San Francisco Branch Mint suitably packed for shipment via Cape Town.

Very Respy
A Thacker
for Director

Mch 30 8

Sir:

I am in receipt of yours of 24th inst advising of the shipment of $150 "Old Cents" The Cents have been received.

The redemption of the Copper Cent ceased in 1864, in consequence of which I have been compelled to purchase your shipment as material for daily paying a price per pound equivalent to its nominal value.

I have shipped to your address $150 bronze Cents in payment of the above.

It is necessary for me to add, that if this transaction was on any other than Government account, the nominal value could not be given.

Very Respy
Your Obt. Svt.
H. R. Linderman
Director
per Thacher Exer

Hon S. P. Chase
Secretary
Treasury
Washington D.C.

Mch 20 8

Sir:

I have this day shipped to your address per Adams Express Co the Russian Medal. also six Copies of the same in Bronze.

The photographic copies of Medal ordered some time since are sent by same conveyance.

Very Respy
Your Obt Svt
Thacher
for Director

Jno Jay Knox Esq
Cashr
D.C.

March 30, 8.

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of the Treasury,
Sir.

In reply
to your enquiry I have the honor
to inform You that the value of the
material in Aluminum for two
sets of impressions of all our Coins,
will be about five Dollars.

With great Respect,
Your Obt Servant,
J. Ross Snowden
Director.

Mch 21st 8

Sir:

I have to acknowledge yours of yesterday in reference to balance for U S Depositary at Louisville Ky.

I did not understand before precisely what kind of a balance was required, that is to say, whether for weighing single pieces or coin in quantity. On reading to the manufacturer Mr Bolling's last letter on the subject, he proposes to furnish a balance, 24 inch beam, with weights complete from $2.000 down to $1.00 for the sum of $500. This is the kind of balance required in the ordinary transactions of a Custom House.

I herewith return the letter of Mr Bolling as requested.

Very Respy
Your Obt Svt
W B Lindsay
Director

Hon
J. Hartley
Asst Secy of Treasy
Washin. DC.

Mch 21 8

Sir:

For want of an Agent in Paris, and supposing you may have facilities, I beg leave to ask you to purchase for the Mint, if quite convenient, the following:

1. A copy in paper cover, of "Nouveau Manuel des Monnaies" &c by Deschamps, Paris. 1867 8vo 724 pages.
2. Some of the silver coins of France, of 1867 and 1868, of the sizes under the 5 francs: a single specimen of each will suffice, but two would be preferred.

The cost of procuring, and transmission will of course be duly reimbursed.

Very Respy
N. R. Linderman
Director

To
J. F. Flevens Esq
London
Eng.

April 1. 8.

Dear Sir.

I have instructed the Engraver to prepare the two sets of impressions of our coins in Aluminium desired by You. They will be forwarded on Monday next. I will send You at the same time an impression in Clay of the Field Medal. The Dies are finished and are undergoing a close Examination to see if the devices are sharply executed. When this is done they will be hardened & we shall then be ready to strike the Medal. We cannot take an impression in any kind of metal until the Dies have been hardened. In the course of next week we hope to be able to strike the Gold Medal & a few copies in Bronze.

Hon Hugh McCulloch,
Sec. Treasury.

Yours Very Respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
J. R. Henderson
Director.

April 1 [illegible]

Sir:

Upon examining bill 960 H R 2
I find on page 2 line 14 the word "two"
has been omitted.

I have to request that the
necessary correction may be made.

Hon Wm D Kelley
Chairm Com on Coinage
Washn
D C

Very Resp'y
H. Linderman
Director

Agent Ex. 5

Sirs:

Referring to your letter of 25th ult. I enclose herewith the explanation furnished by the Adams Express Co. and the Union Bank of this city in relation to the deposits to which you called my attention. The Mint is now prepared to exchange on demand small coin for U.S. Notes, or drafts on N.Y. or Philada Banks. All orders should be sent direct to the Treasurer of the Mint.

Very Respectfully &c
W.L. Linderman
Director

Messrs Gilman, Son & Co
Stock Exchange Place
New York

'Copy'

Adams Express Company
Philada March 31. 1868

Dr Leiderman
Dear Sir

I send you memdm
on 1 letter from Union Bank having
reference to the $100. Read my note
sent to the having reference to the $500.
I will try to see you tomorrow & explain

Yours truly
(signed) Jno Bingham

'Copy'

Union Nat Bank
Philada March 31/68

The order from Silman Son & Co for $100 of
5-20 Coin - U. S. Smith Du Quoin, Ills
was countermanded and amount refunded
to this Bank, and credit given to Messrs
Silman Son & Co for same

(signed) N. C. Musselman
Cashier
per Elias

'Copy'

Adams Express Company
Philada March 31. 1868

Dr Linderman
Dear Sir

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on a letter from Union Bank having
reference to the $100. Read my note
sent tells name of reference to the $500.
I will try to see you tomorrow & explain

Yours truly
(signed) Ino Bigham

'Copy'

Union Nat Bank,
Philada Mch 31/68

The order from Silman Son & Co for $100 of
5¢ coin - G. S. Smith Du Quoin, Ill
was countermanded and amount refunded
to this Bank, and credit given to Messrs
Silman Son & Co per same

(signed) N. C. Musselman
Cashier
per Elliott

April 2nd 8

Gent.

When the moulds & Master ordered for the Branch Mint Denver are ready please have them sent to Penna R. R. O.

Respectfully Yours
H. R. Linderman
Director
per A. Thacher
Dis Clk

Mssrs Morgan Orr & Co
Phila

Are the Roll & Press for Br Mint San Francisco ready for shipment

April 2. 8,

Henry Broome Esq
Dear Sir,

I have
answer the enquiry contained
in the enclosed letter from
the Treasury Department, (returning
the letter.

I have the honor
Director,

April 25 8

Sir:

Referring to the bill which has lately passed Congress, removing the tax on domestic bullion, I have to request that you will advise me of the date when we shall cease to collect the half per cent from gold & silver deposited at the Mint.

Very Respy
W. P. Lindsman
Director

Hon E. A. Rollins
Commissioner I.R.
Washington
D.C.

April 2 1870

Sir:

I herewith transmit Requisition of Supt U S Branch Mint San Francisco Cal for $ 20,294.30 with my approval.

I have to request that it may meet with early attention

Hon Hugh McCulloch. Very Resp'y
Sec'y of Treas'y Your Obt Svt
Washn
D. C. Director

April 2nd 8.

Messrs Wilson & Shobey
Greensborough. N. C.
Gentlemen.

I have Yours of 28th ult. enclosing Bond of indemnity for lost Mint receipt.

On examination of this case it is found that the receipt for the 500 deposit referred to was given in the name of Geo. B. Thompson / Agent Adams Express Company / and was by him endorsed to You & transmitted by mail. The Mint receipt having been issued in the name of Geo. B. Thompson. he will have to give the required Bond of indemnity. The Mint does not recognize any one in these transactions but the person making the deposit, hence the issue of the ~~first~~ receipt to the Thompson. The attention of the Adams Express Company will be called to the

subject of giving the necessary Bond at once. Meanwhile you showed that the Company requesting them to give the necessary Bond under to realize the proceeds of the deposit—

Respectfully yours
H. R. Linderman
Director.

April 3rd 8

4th June 30th 64

Forty four thou-
and Six hundred & forty two

July 1st 64

9.125
31.250
2.864
150
1.250
$44.642

Valuing $36
Assayer's Receipt Deposit with Asst
Treas'r U.S. Phila.

Apl 3 r

Sir:

I have to request that you will issue your Warrant in favor of the Treasurer U S Mint for $1.000 (One Thousand Dollars) to be charged under the Incidental & Contingent Expense Appropriation for the U S Branch Mint at Denver Col.

The above amount is required to meet the purchase of supplies for that Branch.

Very Respy
Your obt Svt
W. H. Landerman
Director

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secy of Treasy
Washn
D C

April 3 8

Sir:

I am in receipt of a communication from the Superintendent of the U S Branch Mint, Denver, Col, under date of March 24th ultimo, on the subject of reducing the charge of one half of one per cent for melting bullion at that office.

With a view to promote the mining interest of Colorado, I herewith recommend that the charge for melting bullion & casting the same into unparted bars shall hereafter be one quarter of one per cent in place of one half of one per cent as it now stands and respectfully ask your approval of the same.

Very Respy
Your Obt Svt
H Linderman
Director

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secy of Treasy
Washn DC

Apl 3d 8

Sir:

Your T/D relating to the receipt of $40.000 British Columbia Bds, exempt from tax was, received last evening and I replied to it "Yes" and directed answer to 30 Wall St, but, the office was closed.

I see no reason why the deposit referred to should not be received exempt from tax.

Very Respy
H. Kohnidenman
Director

Geo F Cumming Esq
Supt Mail & Express Office
New York

April 6. 8.

Hon Hugh McCulloch,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Sir,

Enclosed please find communication from the Superintendent of the Assay Office New York in reference to the appropriations for that Office for the next fiscal year. I respectfully invite Your attention to the request of the Superintendent, and concur in his views as to the necessity of adding $40,000 to the appropriation for the Incidental Contingent Expenses of that Office of the sum so in reference to which is claimed in the Appropriation Bill.

With great Respect,
Your obt. Servant,
H. R. Linderman
Director,

"Copy"

United States Assay Office

New York April 3rd 1868

Sir

I understand that the general appropriation bill, now before the House, contains a section requiring all profits of the Mint and Branches, including this Office, to be covered into the Treasury not to be drawn out except on Specific appropriations.

Do you understand that this will embrace the "Deductions from deposits" which are now by law available for the Incidental and Contingent expenses? If so, it will be necessary to add $40,000 to the amount now standing in the Appropriation Bill for this Office. That being the estimated amount of deductions relied upon to meet our expenses up to June 30, 1869.

As however, these "Deductions" are in no sense profits, it may not be the intention of the section referred to, to require them to be eliminated in the manner proposed. These "Deductions" as you are aware, are simply the charges levied upon deposits, as authorized by law for "refining" "toughening" "parting" &c. and fixed so as not to exceed the actual expenses of the material and

labor employed". In other words, the law, as it now stands authorizes each Mint or Assay Office to collect from its depositors the Amount of expenses actually incurred in certain operations upon their bullion, and directs that the money thus paid back "shall be accounted for and appropriated for the Incidental and Contingent expenses" of the Mint respectively; that is it is paid back into the Treasury of the United States to make good the Appropriation from which it was originally drawn

But the effect of the section referred to above will be to take a very considerable portion of the money once appropriated by Congress for the Incidental expenses of the Mints and carry it back to the Treasury for general purposes, thus making it necessary for the Mints to supply its place by new Appropriations. This would of course make the Mints figure in the Annual Appropriation bills more extravagantly than they now do, and would give an exaggerated and unjust idea of their cost to the Government, without affording any better security than now exists. The present system of accountability is as perfect as can be desired. Every dollar of money appropriated is accounted for, and I am utterly at a loss to see what besides trouble and confusion, is to be gained by the change

If the change is made, however, I trust

that you will see that the appropriation for this Office for Incidental and Contingent Expenses is made $ 90.000 instead of $ 50.000 as it now stands.

Very respectfully &c

Dr. A. R. Linderman Director of the Mint

"Signed" Geo. F. Cumming Supt

April 6. 8.

Gov. F. Dennig Esq.
Asst. Treasy Office,
Cin.

Your letter of the 3d. inst in reference to your appropriation for the next fiscal year has been received & transmitted to the department with very favorable recommendation.

Your order for stamps for printing canvas &c has also been received. The order will be cleared at once on the hands of the Assessor.

Very Respectfully
H. R. Denman
Asst.

April 6th 8

Sir:

I herewith transmit Geo. F. Denning Esq. Supt U.S. Assay Office, New York, Requisition for $35.000 with my approval.

I have to request that you will give it early attention

Very Respy
Your Obt Svt
H. R. Linderman
Director

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secy of Treasy
Washington
DC

April 6th 8.

A. Lowdon Snowden Esq.
Chief Comr.
Sir,

Mr Wm H. Fallows reported home this morning & his condition being such as to justify in my opinion the founded hopes of his early restoration to health. I have extended his leave of absence until 10th proximo.

Respectfully Yours
W. H. Henderson
Director

April 6. 8.

Hon Hugh McCulloch,
Secretary of the Treasury,
&c.

I forward to You address to day a package containing two sets of impressions of our coins in aluminum, also, two impressions from the Field Medal Die.

I invite Your attention to the fullness and accuracy of the impression from our coining die, taken at Your request in this comparatively new metal, the one annoyance of the peculiar malleability of the Metal, but some of these impressions surpass our anticipation in the perfection with which the work is brought out.

The two impressions from the Field Medal are not entirely perfect; but will convey to them the state of the work that

has been done—

The balance of the subscription, on account will be forwarded as soon as we learn a supply of the metal from New York.—

With great respect,
Your friend & Obt. Servant,
J. A. Bradbury
Senator

I endorse not from the Judges (a daughter of Mr Fisher residing in the City,) to the Barber employed as the necessary of the likeness of all J. A. B.

Apl 6 8

Sir:

Yours of 4th inst enclosing Certificate of transfer of Deductions and Requisition for $35.000 has been received.

Your Incidental & Contingt Expense a/c has Credit for $23.668.96 amt of Deductions transfered.

Requisition has been forwarded to the Dept at Washington with my approval & request that it may receive early attention

Very Respy
W Kobendeman
Director

C & F Dunning Esq
Supt U S Assay Office
New York

April 7 1857

Sir: I have this day shipped to your Branch per Wells Fargo & Co Express Working dies for your Branch as per Enclosed list Furnished by the Engraver of the Mint.

Very Respy
H K Brenderman
Direct

Robt B Swain Esq
Supt U S Br Mint
San Francisco
Cal

Copy

Mint of the United States
Phila. April 6 1865

Statement of Working dies Furnished by the Engraver of the Mint at this date for the Branch Mint at San Francisco

One box containing as follows.

Gold				
12	Double Eagle	reverses	Nos marked	1.2.3.4.5.6.
8	do	obverses	"	do 7.8.9.10
2	Eagle	reverses	"	do 11
Silver				
12	Half Dollar	reverses	"	do 12.13.14.15.16.17
8	do	obverses	"	do 18.19.20.21
4	Dime	do	"	do 22.23
6	do	reverses	"	do 24.25.26
6	Half Dime	do	"	do 27.28.29

In all 59 working dies

Signed James B Longacre
Engr

April 4 8

Sir:

I herewith transmit Copy of a communication from the Secy of the Treasury directing the change for melting Bullion at your Branch & casting the same into bars from one half of one per cent to one fourth of one per cent: the same to take effect from the date of the receipt of said order at your Branch.

Very Respy

Col Loring Supt Mint Denver Col

J H Heidsman Director

Copy

Treasury Department
April 6th 1865

Sir:

You are hereby authorized to reduce the charge for melting bullion, and casting the same into bars, at the Branch Mint at Denver, from one half of one per cent to one fourth of one per cent as recommended on your letter of the 3d instant.

Very Respectfully
(Signed) H McCulloch
Secy of the Treasy

Hond A R Zeilerman
Director of the Mint
Phila Pa

April 7th 8

Sir

I enclose for your information and guidance a copy of a letter from the Commissioner of Internal Revenue dated April 3d inst in relation to exempting all deposits of gold and silver bullion assayed on and after April 1st 1864.

Very Respectfully &c
W. P. Lindermann
Director

Jacob R. Eckfeldt. Esq
Assayer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

(Copy)

Treasury Department
Office of Internal Revenue
Washington April 3rd 1868

Sir

I have rec'd your letter of the 2nd inst in which you ask to be advised of the date when you shall cease to collect the half per cent from gold and Silver deposited at the Mint

In reply I have to say, that in my opinion the tax should be collected on all bullion assayed and stamped prior to April 1st But bullion assayed subsequently though deposited in the Mint before the first day of April is exempt from the tax

Yours Respectfully
"Signed" E. A. Rollins
Commissioner

H. R. Linderman Esqr
Director U. S. Mint
Philadelphia
Pa

April 7th 8

Sir;

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Very Respectfully &c

W. Kinsman

Director

Lott B. Swain Esq
Supt U.S. Br Mint
San Francisco,
Cal

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Geo. E. Dunning Esq Supt.
Assay Office
New York
N.Y.

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"Signed" E. A. Rollins
Commissioner

N. R. Snideman Esq
Director U. S. Mint
Philadelphia
Pa

April 4th 8

Sir

I enclose for your information and guidance a copy of a letter from the commissioner of Internal Revenue dated April 3d inst in relation to exempting all deposits of gold and silver bullion assayed on and after April 1st 1868

Very Respectfully &c
J. R. Snowden
Director

Geo. W. Lane Esq Supt
Denver. Col.

Treasury Department
Office of Internal Revenue
Washington April 3d 1868

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Director U. S. Mint
Philadelphia
Pa

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Very Respectfully &c
W. E. Linderman
Director

Isaac N. Jones Esq
Assayer U. S. Br Mint
Charlotte N.C.

'Copy'

Treasury Department
Office of Internal Revenue
Washington April 3d 1868

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Yours Respectfully
(signed) E. A. Rollins
Commissioner

A. L. Linderman Esq
Director U. S. Mint
Philadelphia
Pa

April 8th 68

Sir

I herewith transmit to your address, per Adams Express Company the sum of $4.21 (four dolls and twenty one cents), being the amount of Internal Revenue Tax deducted from two deposits of bullion made by you, amounting to $835 64/100 (Eight hundred and thirty six dollars and sixty four cents), the Commissioner of Internal Revenue having decided that bullion deposits are exempt from said tax on and after the 1st day of April 1868.

Very Respectfully &c
H R Linderman
Director

J. Samuels Esq
New Orleans
La

April 8th 8

Sir

I herewith transmit to your address the sum of 44 (forty-four) cents, being the amount of Internal Revenue tax deducted from your deposit of $86.36/100 (Eight-six dollars & thirty six cents) the Commissioner of Internal Revenue having decided that bullion deposits are exempt from said tax on and after April 1st 1868

Very Respectfully &
H. R. Linderman
Director

F. Joseph Esq
Baltimore
Md

April 8th 8

Sir

I herewith transmit to your address, per Adams Express Company the sum of 64¢ (sixty four cents) being the amount of Internal Revenue Tax deducted from your deposit of $126 74/100 (one hundred twenty six dollars and seventy four cents), the Commissioner of Internal Revenue having decided that bullion deposits are exempt from said tax on and after April 1st 1868

Very Respectfully &
D. R. Anderson
Director

W. A. Schmeltz
Washington
D.C.

April 8th 8

Sir

I herewith transmit to your address, per Adams Express Company the sum of $8 95/100 (Eight dollars and ninety-five cents) being the amount of Internal Revenue Tax deducted from your deposit of $1797 14/100 (Seventeen hundred seventy seven dollars and fourteen cents), the Commissioner of Internal Revenue having decided that bullion deposits are exempt from said tax on and after April 1st 1868.

Very Respectfully &c
H. Schuckman
Director

L. C. Conner
Cartersville
Ga.

Apr 8th 8

Hon W. W. Lindsay
Post Master General
Sir

I have to request that you will have forwarded for the use of the Mint of the United States, two Registers of Post Offices last issued from your department.

I have the honor to be, Sir
Your most obt svt
H. R. Linderman
Director

April 9 1860

Gent:

I am in receipt of yours of 4th inst reporting remittance of 5th Com. 5th short. The Mint delivered to the Adams Express Co for your account a bag containing $50=

In relation to the 30¢ Express charges I herewith enclose the Mint Agent of Adams Express Co's Order on their Agt at Warren for the amount charged.

Yours Respy
W. E. Linderman
Director
per A. Thacher
Asst Clk

W. E. Hayt Esq
Warren

'Copy'

There are some points in the suggestions of the committee appointed by the Council of the Academy of Design of New York in relation to appropriateness in the devices for the coinage which fully accord with my own judgment and views long entertained — such, for instance as the substitution of the "Head" of Liberty in place of the "whole length" figure of the same emblem; and in respect to permanency of "type" in all that relates to national association. There is also a concession of the primary importance of "national characteristics" in the designs: that is to say (if I correctly apprehend the idea expressed) the national character of the devices is the first consideration in connection with any artistic embellishment. The subject opens too wide a field to be covered by a few lines — or even a brief essay — a volume would scarcely suffice to meet the discussion it invites, & satisfy the conflicting projets entertained respecting the coinage. In my judgment the mistake first has been made in all the projects that have been devised to advance the character of our coinage, to the neglect of any deference to the experience & judgment of practical men — the matter has been entangled & couched by a mass of crude, antagonistic & impracticable theories which seemingly disdained to consult the results of experience in the requirements of indispensable processes. The first question to be met and determined, in my view, is:— What are the signals susceptible of delineation of a national character that may with propriety be applied to distinguish our coins? and next, what are the elements of

of nationality that may be used with the best effect for this purpose All the aid & embellishment that art can furnish, however desirable as matter of taste, must be regarded as subsidiary to these considerations. The course taken heretofore has been to reverse this order: to seek the embellishments of art, before defining the limits of applicability for which they were intended. This I regard as an error. Our coinage should first be made distinctively national, if such a desideratum can be achieved to be supplemented with whatever there is of beauty in the realms of art that may be applied to render the emblems more attractive without obscuring their national meaning. Our emblem of Liberty derived from ancient mythology seems destined to hold its place as a type the best practical adaptation for the purposes of coinage, is found undoubtedly in a well designed ideal head — at the same time it demonstrates the exceedingly limited field which is left for the display of Art on the face of our coins there is no room left on the obverse for anything beyond it, within the confines of Art. If this emblem could be made distinctively "American" it would fulfil my idea of adaptation. There is but little difficulty in obtaining good devices of purely artistic character, where that character is the only consideration: but it is difficult for the best artist, as such merely, if not practically acquainted with the operations incident to the coinage process, to furnish designs that can be made available. The reason of this is found in the irrevocable laws of metallurgy & dynamics to which all artistic forms and inventions must be subjected to bring them into working order. Experience in the fabrication of coins by the usual & most approved processes has demonstrated for instance, that the quality of malle[illegible]

in metals is exhausted by a certain extent of the force applied in "striking-up" on the coining-press; and as all the relief must be comprised within a limit so exceedingly low, as to seem incredible to an ordinary modeller, or even medallist, their designs seldom meet the emergency: requiring as it does besides, very close & careful calculations in the adjustment of the devices on the dies to ensure a successful result in making coin from them with a full impression. • If any artistic display is made on the obverse, for instance, the corresponding part of the reverse should be plain, or if not entirely plain, as flat as it is possible to make it. On this account the best of foreign coins are always found either with a flat centre surrounded by a simple wreath on the reverse, or else a purely heraldic device with the lowest possible relief to express nationality. In the French coinage the highest artistic finish is given to the head of the Sovereign on the obverse, while the reverse presents a simple wreath with the denomination; taking the 20 franc piece in gold and the 5 franc piece in silver as patterns. The British coin most generally known is the Sovereign gold coin. About 40 years ago under artistic pressure probably - a truly beautiful & classical reverse from the design of the celebrated Flaxman & executed by Pistrucci was prepared for this coin (retaining the head of the Sovereign on the obverse) but after keeping it for two or three years it was found so difficult in working as to compel its abandonment, & since then a purely heraldic device with the lowest possible relief has been substituted. Our law requiring an Eagle on the reverse of our gold coins especially, has ever been cause above adverted to of practical somewhat as an impediment to the fair artistic development of our coinage

The combination of heraldic attributes (very proper in itself) with this arrangement, devised to meet the exigency of the case, has no doubt contributed to expose the eagle upon our coins to the disparaging criticism with which it is occasionally visited by those who are ignorant of the ordeal through which it has passed before it could be shown at all upon our coins In despite, however, of animadversions which are cheaply uttered, it is with admitted imperfections as near an approach to the true aquiline character as any of its coined contemporaries. We need only refer to the double-headed monsters which are seen still upon the coins of the mostrich monarchies of Europe; even the Eagle upon the French coins although artistically more imposing in expression, is quite as far remote in the character of his plumage from any bird that was ever hatched, as the one that with less pretension, has appeared upon our own coins. There is no subject upon which our artists have blundered more than in their delineations of the Eagle as a national emblem. The abstract Eagle as an emblem of political power, has an historical records from the most remote periods, & the representations of this bird on the reverse of the Syrian & Egyptian coins of 2000 years ago, entitle him to take his place without disparagement by the side of any modern productions in the same line. But the family of Eagles as large & we have selected as our national emblem, not the Golden Eagle, nor the Great Sea Eagle, the Alpine, nor Harpy Eagle, but the White headed Eagle of North America in form & plumage differing essentially from the types either ancient or modern with which we are apt to be presented in his place through the ignorance, indifference or inadvertence of the artists employed. A brief reference to our heraldry as applicable to the coinage must conclude my observations on this subject for the present. Our armorial in the

-ment as established by law consists of a shield or escutcheon – "Party of thirteen gules and argent – a chief azure." Supported – "on the breast of an Eagle displayed, proper, holding in his dexter talon an olive branch, in his sinister talon a bundle of arrows." This includes all the heraldic material we have attempted to exhibit on the reverse of our coins, (except in that of the double-eagle, the "crest" has been superadded.) It is as much as the space will bear, with intelligible expression. If we regard the examples of other national coinage where the principles of heraldic distinction is maintained, the most successful are those which present only the shield, leaving off supporting accessories, which reduced to so small a space, tend rather to confuse than embellish: the Objection following this example in our own case is the extreme plainness of our shield; if additional interest could be thrown around this emblem with the impediments to which allusion has been made, it would be a decided improvement of our devices without detracting from their nationality.

(signed) James B. Longacre

Philada April 3d 1868.

"Copy"

1131 Girard st Philadelphia April 7th 1868

To the Honble
M. R. Linderman, Director U.S. Mint

Dear Sir

Your note of 6th inst. accompanied by several papers, has been received. On a matter of so much national importance and personal interest, I have no hesitation to reply candidly & explicitly, in the hope that the opinion of those who have had experience, may have granted to them that attention such knowledge merits, to the exclusion of the too often crude notions, of those who can only see the surface & know nothing of the laws by which it is controlled or the intrinsic merits which we desire for our national currency. It gives me much pleasure to be in accord with the opinions of those who have addressed you, on the subject of the device of the Obverse of Coins; Mr Dubois has stated his views concisely yet forcibly, but he need not, as I believe, be anxious on the subject of "modesty" for true classic beauty never has & I think never can transgress in that regard. The permanence of devices is unquestionably desirable, they would be self-sustaining, if of undoubted artistic, or classic conception & execution, no matter what may be the changes of dynasties, or caprices of fashion. I will not dwell on a change of standard save in weight, for I believe that such a contingency would be a retrograde movement in coinage, that I conceive will not be possible in this enlightened age of Science. The Committee of the Academy of Design have also given the subject careful consideration & their remarks are pertinent & patriotic. The fourth paragraph of their letter, on the Devices of the Obverse of Coins, is in entire accordance with the views, expressed many years back, the subsequent paragraphs will be virtually remarked upon in another part of this letter.

The paper with the signature of Mr Longacre contains facts & views well founded. It is entirely unnecessary to enlarge on this letter on those views as I have placed in your hands, a communication published thirteen years ago, in the proceedings of the American Philosophical Society in which my opinion is given, as to a device "emblematic of Liberty", with what to me is of equal importance, the way in which it should be executed, to meet the exigencies of the mechanical process by which the coinage of money is controlled so as to give the best effect to the obverse & reverse impressions. In that communication you will observe that there is little, that has not been anticipated, in fact my views on all these matters were freely & fully expressed whilst serving my country in the office of Chief Coiner, & are presumed to be known to all the officers of the Mint.
Mr Dubois is certainly correct in placing some of the German & other Continental Governments at the head of artistic device, in coinage; several examples could be cited, such as Bavaria, Sardinia, & even the slow moving Papal dynasty: To my remarks heretofore referred to, I desire to add that the curvature of these fine specimens, in the Dobbs, is very decided favoring the strength of the outlines of the obverse; the reverses shallow, their highest & strongest elevations non-opposite (if I may be allowed to coin a phrase suited to the subject). To strengthen these views I will further add that the centre of these devices in the best examples do not rise beyond the outline, & need not; for the best effect in coins be more than seven-thousandth this of an inch in any case; very good effects are visible where the elevation is four thousandths. In regard to the Reverse my views were also given in that communication, with reference to the national productions, the Wheat, corn & cotton of our wide domain as well as other bearings suited, to the least important side, if there is any portion of the work less important than another. I will add to, or modify what has been said on this subject, so far

as to say that the Eagle called for by the law could be made by attention to the principles advanced in that publication to low in relief, & yet so distinctly marked, as not to interfere, in excessive obstruction to the relief of the obverse in striking coin. The celebrated coinage of England, bearing the device of St George & the dragon was struck from dies executed by Pistrucci who was brought from Italy for that object, the conceit was confined, if my memory serves me correctly to the Sovereign & Crown pieces, it was a very beautiful & classic effort. but which condemned the Sovereign the head of the Sovereign to a faint & unmajestic device which doubtless caused its early abandonment. The artist remained as a permanent incumbrance in the Mint many Years after this his only work. The minute parts of this design are amenable to all the remarks which have been made on the emptiness of all full length figures on Coins. I am compelled here to observe that the Bald, or White-headed Eagle has been selected as the emblem of our country, but he has been so caricatured in the representations upon our Coins, & armorial bearings, so shamefully disguised by hair, scales, or greasy bristles in place of his glossy plumage, with bill & legs so distorted that although merited in good natured conventionality may recognize him, his own mate would discard him from her Eyry as a coarse and shameless imitation & counterfeit. Finally I object to any & all heraldic devices because they are relics of a semi-barbarous age, emblematic of feudal villeinage & ignorance, alike unsuited to advanced civilization & Christian Liberty & withall affording facilities to counterfeiters almost allied to imitation, from the low grade of art necessary for their execution.

I have the honor to be with much respect
Your obt servt & friend
(signed) Franklin Peale

'Copy'

Mint of the United States
Philadelphia April 1st 1868

To the Director, in reference to the letter from the Academy of Design

The question of the permanency of devices on the coins is one about which there is an extreme diversity of opinion; & it does not seem necessary that it should be settled at this time. Certainly if we should succeed in making a marked improvement the devices would remain unchanged for a good length of time, unless a change of monetary system should call for something distinctive. But, that there should be a difference between the devices for gold & for silver seems too evident to be argued. The opinion of the Academy that a bust is more expressive, & suitable every way, than a full length figure is undoubtedly just & should be acted upon. No doubt the impersonation of Liberty should be female, in accordance with the classic idea, & with the genius of Libertas, & La Liberté, & die Freiheit, & it ought amply with the sentiment of common modesty, in spite of the plea that taste art can make no difference. A full length figure (and as we have lately seen displayed upon the reverse of a British medal) offers more occasion than a head and shoulders, for that grossness which revolts a really refined taste. But probably these hints are quite unnecessary.

The head should be ideal, and not the portrait of any actual person living or dead. In the early history of this Mint, it is said, that the designer of the fat woman

on our silver coins was simply doing homage to his mistress. So on the elegant double-thalers of Frankfort, of recent date we have the heads of an actress, and of a woman of ill-repute. Such portraits are poor representatives of the sacred idea of Liberty. This also may be an unnecessary remark, but I should be sorry to have the Mint and the Coinage made a subject of merriment on such account. Hoping that the issue will be a cordial good feeling between the masters of design and the officers of the Mint

I am very respectfully
(signed) Wm E. Dubois
Asst Assayer

April 10th 8.

Gentlemen:

After a due consideration of Your interesting communication, and a conference with Officers of the Mint, I find but little if any difference of opinion amongst us. In order that You may be fully in possession of what has been said, I send You the written views of our Engraver, and Assayers, and of the Late, formerly Chief Coiner of the Mint, and deem it unnecessary to extend the discussion by any remarks of my own, which would harmonize pretty closely with what they have said.

With great Respect,
Your Obed't Serv't,
H. R. Linderman
Director of the Mint.

To, H. K. Brown
J. L. Hart
John Rogers
L. Thompson
and J. Addison Richards,
Committee of
National Academy of Design
New York,
Corresponding Secretary

April 18. 8

Robert J. Swain
Supt. U.S. Coast Survey, San Francisco,
Cal:

Your letter of Nineteenth ultimo (19th) received
I had previously successfully met the
points referred to

H. L. Lindenkohl
Assistant

April 13 6

Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of 10th inst enclosing receipt issued by Adams Express Co for $1.000 to be deposited in the Mint for Small Coins. I herewith return the receipt.

Orders for Small Coins are now filled on demand.

Please find enclosed a circular giving you instructions.

Very Respy
A. L. Linderman
Asst
for Attacher
Dr Ck

Cash National Exchange Bank. Richmond Va

April 13 [illegible]

Sir:

In reply to your communication of 11th inst. I would state that the small Coin ordered by you for the Union National Bank Lafayette Ind were shipped to that Bank by the Adams Express Co on the 14th Dec 1864.

I have instructed the Agent of the Express Co to trace the coin and report.

Orders for small Coins are now filled on demand.

Cashr 1st Nat'l Bk
New York

Very Respy
H. K. Linderman
Director

April 13. 8.

Dear Kurz.

I send You herewith (reply to Uruguay letter. although the Mint has never done any work of this character (i.e. coinage for another Nation or State) I can see no objection to it's executing as the coins will bear the Arms &c of the Republic of Uruguay entirely distinct from our own Coinage, I suppose the consul general of that Republic can furnish us with an impression of the arms as contained on his official Seal.

I send You Supt. Evans letter. He does not relish Stevens assaults. The Department must judge whether it is best to furnish the Committee with a Copy or not

Have not the old Machinery at Charlotte & Dahlonega better be

Shipped here Sold. Relapsed
owned desire of a portion
to come there South American
People.

Very Truly Yours,
H Rohr Jaenecke

April 13 /

Genl.

Your communication of the 19th inst has been received.

The cost of preparing 500,000 dies of the denominations specified by your letter will amount to about $4000. This estimate does not include the dies. I cannot well give an estimate of the cost of the latter without seeing a fac simile of the Coins of Nicaragua. Two months will probably be required to prepare the dies. After they are ready the coins can be prepared in a few days.

It will be necessary to obtain the approval of the Hon Secretary of the Treasury before this work can be undertaken. If our Government decides to grant your request as an act of comity to a neighboring Republic I can see no objection to doing the work at this Institution.

There will be no material

difference in Cost between Bronze or
Nickel-Copper alloy.

If the devices of the arms
of Uruguay are not too elaborate the
dies can be prepared at a cost of about
One Thousand Dollars

Mr. Lewis Johnson & Co. very truly yours
Bankers
Washington
D.C.

H. Kleinsman
Director

April 13. 65.

Hon Hugh McCulloch,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Sir,

I have the
honor to enclose herewith a communication
from the Superintendent of the Mint at
San Francisco, dated 19th ult. in reference
to the appropriations &c for that institution.

With great Respect,
Your obedient Servant,
J. R. Snowden
Director of the Mint

(Copy) (1)

Office of Superintendent United States Branch Mint
San Francisco Cal. March 17th 1858

Hon H.D. Linderman
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

Dear Sir

I notice that a resolution has been introduced into the House of Representatives by Mr Ashley of Nevada asking for certain information of the Secretary of the Treasury in regard to the management of this Branch Mint and conveying the idea by implication that there is something wrong in the manner in which the operations here are conducted

In the resolution and in the figures which were published about the same time I clearly discover that it emanates from my immediate predecessor in office who was removed by Secretary Cobb after less than 2 years service for gross corruption and malfeasance in office - He has thought it necessary since that time to make numerous attacks upon this Institution and by means of garbled statements to bring to

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far as was in his power. the Branch into disrepute. In this he has been assisted by some politicians, who have been unable to convert the Bureau into a political machine His former position as Superintendent has enabled him to prepare tables which though false have at least the appearance of plausibility, and his present position as a clerk I think of one of the Committees of the House secures him a hearing which he could not otherwise obtain. This last attempt to distract the attention of Congress this way is only another covert attack upon this Bureau.

My letters to you of recent dates, containing various tabular statements in relation to the operations of this Branch will I trust enable you to answer fully the inquiries of the House. If otherwise I shall be most happy to furnish you any information that may be necessary. I court the most rigid scrutiny, and shall be pleased when a thorough and impartial investigation is demanded and made

My attention has also been directed to a discussion in the House relative to the appropriation for this Branch for the fiscal year 1868-69 and more particularly to the remarks of Mr Washburne upon the subject. One expression of his particularly arrested my observation He said that he believed that the amount "which we propose to appropriate in this bill "will be sufficient to carry on the operations "at that Mint to the fullest extent if it is "managed with honesty and economy as we "hope and believe it will be if we put this "limit upon the expenditure

You will pardon me if I say that the "honesty and economy" with which this Mint is managed does not in the slightest degree depend upon the amount of the appropriation The honesty with which it is managed depends entirely upon the moral principle of the Superintendent in regard to which I am willing that others who know should be the Judge The "economy" of the service depends upon the wisdom and actual requirements of the

department said nothing else.

You are aware that in preparing the estimates for the appropriation we are compelled to do so nearly 2 years before the termination of the time for which it is made. Hence I have considered it advisable in view of the fluctuation in the currency and the fact that the basis of all our expenditures is Gold. To ask for an appropriation sufficiently large to meet any emergency that may arise far as much as a portion of the amount at our command advances upon the earnings of the Mint which are regulated by the description of the Bullion deposited. I have generally made my estimates larger than I would otherwise have done, had we been able to calculate with any degree of certainty what those earnings were to be. It would be a great misfortune if it should so happen that the appropriation was too small to meet the wants of the Service. This was the case in the fiscal year ending June 30th 1864 the appropriation for which was based upon the estimates of my predecessor. By reference to the table which

he caused to be published you will notice that he estimated the expenses at about $1,750,000. This was in the face of the fact that the depreciation of the currency was growing greater and greater as the war progressed.

The consequence was that there was a deficiency that year of $2,000,000 for which a special appropriation was made. Before this was done however the Mint was out of funds. The employees (all of them poor) received no pay whatever for more than 6 months and bills were purchased at sixty days upon my own personal responsibility: and but for my own personal influence and exertions the Mint would have been compelled to close at a crisis in the affairs of our country when the coinage was most necessary. The following year the appropriation for the expenses were inevitably large because that year included 6 months wages and expenses of the preceding year.

The appropriation for the present year

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you are aware was $295.000 of that amount I think that at least $200.000 will remain unexpended on the 30th June. But notwithstanding this I beg to say that it will not be really safe to materially cut down the estimates as I have forwarded them. The service requires the employment of experts and nearly the same force must be kept on hand whether we are coining a large or a small number of pieces. At the present moment as usual at this season of the year we are not very active but it would be bad policy to discharge the men (most of whom are well tried and experienced) expecting to re-engage or replace them when we are in full blast a month or two hence Such a course would be injurious to the service and in the end result in no economy

For 2 years the outlay of the Mint appeared to be large by reason of the depreciation of the currency. During a large [illegible] that time currency was worth here but 75 to 80 per cent.

It can hardly be expected that the operations of the Branch can be conducted for anything like the same amount under such circumstances as it can be when currency is at par. During the 2 years in question a time when the war waged most fiercely many of the articles used were enormously high even in Gold. As the value of the currency appreciates as goods decline in value the apparent expenses of the Mint will decrease

I take it for granted that it is the policy of the Government to encourage coinage Any action by which the interests of the Mint are endangered may have a serious effect upon the finances of the country. Gold is Exported here by Shippers and Merchants who have confidence in its manipulation hence the amount of the coinage and the success of the Institution depends in a small degree upon the confidence of the people in its management While personally I have nothing at stake in the matter I have nothing

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matter and am quite indifferent as to who may or may not be the Superintendent so long as he is competent & cannot but appreciate for these reasons, and efforts that may be made to bring so important a Branch of the Government into disrepute. I would not object to your bringing the contents of this letter to the notice of Mr Shakburne or to that of any others who may have erroneous views upon the subject.

I am Gent. Very respectfully
(signed) Robt. R. Durain
Superintendent

April 17. 8.

J. Smith Homans Esq.
Editor Bankers Magazine,
64 Pine Street. N.Y.

Sir,

Your favor of the 10th inst. has been received.

It would give me pleasure to comply with Your wishes, but You are decidedly "ahead of time." The Coinage bills have not even been reported as yet. One of them, the International Coinage Bill, is in the Committee of Finance, with at least three modifications waiting to be considered; the other, for a uniform System of Nickel Coins, is before the Committee of Coinage, with the details not yet agreed upon. Of course it is not yet certain what the result will be. In regard to that matter I have written the Head of Your Academy of Design

(in which before the Session ends) and I
trust shall await their action
and communication, before settling down
upon what is to be adopted.

When either of the Bills
now pending in Congress are disposed
of I will take pleasure in furnishing
information sketches &c for the use
of your valuable publication.

Very Truly Yours
W. Robinson
Late of the Mint

April 12 8

Sir:

In reply to your communication of 8th inst I would state the Adams Express Co did not deposit the amount of your order in the Mint.

I called upon the Supt of the Express Co for an explanation of the delay, and he informs me that your coin will be forwarded to your address to morrow 14th inst.

All orders for small coins should be addressed to the Treasurer U S Mint and are now filled on demand.

Very Resp'y
A R Linderman
Director
per A Kachenpf
D C AR

First National Bank
Bucyrus
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April 14. 8.

John Brigham Esq
Supt. Adams Express Co.
Dear Sir.

I beg to call your attention to the enclosed letter from the Cashier of the Union National Bank, Wilmington Delaware, in which he calls my attention to a deposit of Five Hundred Dollars made by Farmers & Mechanics Bank, Phila: to his credit in January last" On enquiry at the Farmers & Mechanics Bank, I learn that the amount was deposited with your Company & a Receipt taken signed "J. S. Sheehan Sup't Co". I furnish this information that you may know the facts & apply the proper remedy. as I suppose the Company will not permit any of its agents to retain in their custody funds sent by parties to be deposited at this institution.

Please return the letter of the Union
Nat. Bk. of Wilmington to Delaware.

Very Respectfully Yours
J. Robinson
Director of the Mint

April 14 1

Sir:

The deposit of gold & due mentioned in yours of 9th inst received at the Mint this day.

Bocuments in Case will be shipped to your address by Express on 16th inst.

Mess J & C Kirk
New Maine
Iowa

Very Resp
C R Linderman
Director
per A Kachert
Dy. Clk

April 15. 8.

Messrs Holmes Brooks & Hayden,
N° 29 Chamber Street N.Y.
Gentlemen.

In reply
to yours of 14th inst I have to state that
the capacity of the Print is fully equal
to the demands for small Coin; consequently
we are not in want of any planchets -
Should the future demand render it
necessary to procure a portion of the
planchets already made, we will
communicate with you -

Respectfully Yours.
W. E. Anderson
Assistt.

Copy 5/18

Mint of the United States
Philadelphia
April 15th 1868

Robert B Swain
Supt Branch Mint
San Francisco
California

Recent Act of Congress exempts all Bullion from Revenue Tax Assayed since April first instant

(Signed) A. L. Linderman
Director

April 15 8

Sir:

I am in receipt of your communication of 14th ult. inclosing receipt of Wells Fargo & Co for Assay Coins of your Branch for January & February 1864.

The Coin were received at the Mint this day.

Respt Your Obt Servt
Supt U.S. Mint
San Francisco Cal

A. R. Linderman
Assist
per W. Thacher
Ass. Clk

April 15 [illegible]

J

Sir.

The Adams Express Co. report that your order for 500 small Axe will be shipped this day.

Each Union Hat Co
Wilmington
Del.

Very Resp'y
Yr's &c
[illegible]
Agent
per [illegible]
[illegible]

April 15 1862

Sir:

I am in receipt of yours of 14th inst enclosing corrected Requisition for $35.000 which I have forwarded to the Department at Washington with the request that it may receive early attention

Very Respy
Your Obt Servt
W. L. Linderman
Director
per A. Hackett
Asst Clk

Col. F. Kenning Cor.
Supt U.S. Assay Office
New York

April 15 8

Sir:

I herewith transmit Cert. of Running Exp. Suit U.S. Assay Office, New York Corrected Requisition for $35.000 with my approval.

I have to request that you will give it early attention.

Hon. Hugh McCulloch
Sec'y of Treasury
Washington
D.C.

Very Resp'y
H. R. Linderman
Director

April 16 1862

Sir:

In reply to your communication of 11th inst in relation to $20 deposited by 1st Nat'l Bank for 5th Ohio for account of your Bank, I would state that the money was deposited with the Adams Express Co. who upon being called upon to explain the delay deposited the money in the Mint this day and the coin have been shipped this day.

The Mint has been filling orders on demand for some weeks past.

Cashier
First Nat'l Bank
Marietta

Very Respy
H. R. Linderman
Director
per Thacher
Disbursing Clerk

Apl 6 1864

Gent:

In reply to your communication of 13th inst. I would state that the Mint is now filling orders for small Coins on demand.

Please forward draft for the amount you desire and your order shall have immediate attention

Very Truly
C. R. Linderman
Director
per Thacher
Dir Clk

Mess. G. J. Smyth & Co
Dubuque
Ills

April 17 [illegible]

Sir:

I have shipped to your Branch per Penna R R Co the following items enclose B/L for same.

100 Mems of Gold Bullion
One Mortar & Kettle
39 Moulds for Ingots.

Col W. Lane Esq
Supt D. C. & Assay Mint
Denver
Col

Very Respy
H. R. Linderman
Director
per attached
Vouchers

April 17 1860

Sir.

Herewith I forward R/E
for Examination Shipped to your
Branch per Clipper Ship "Governor Mor-
ton".

Robt B Swan Esq
Supt U.S. Mint
San Francisco
Cal.

Geo Eckfeldt
Chief Coiner
A R Lindeman
Assistant
per Wm Kachenbach
Assistant

April 17 8

(Copy) TT

Robt J Swain Esq
Superintendent Branch Mint
San Francisco Cal

You will cause to collect Revenue Tax
on Bullion

(Signed) H K Leiderman
Director

April 17. 8.

Dear Sir.

You can please make your notification to the Treasurer, ten days in advance when you require check.

Respectfully
H. Richardson
Auditor.

To Medical Referees
Col. Smith

April 18th 8

Sir:

Referring to my communication of April 4th last, enclosing copy of a letter from Commissioner of Internal Revenue relating to exempting from tax all deposits of gold & silver bullion assayed on and after April 1st 1864, I have to request, that where it is practicable, you will cause the tax collected on such deposits assayed on or after April 1st to be refunded to the depositors.

I telegraphed you yesterday as follows.

"You will cease to collect Internal Revenue Tax on Bullion."

Very Respy
H R Linderman
Director

Lt A B Swan Esq
Supt U S Mint
San Francisco
Cal.

April 18. 8

Dear Sir.

Replying to Your letter of 16th
inst. I am to state that it will afford
me great pleasure to see You at
Admiral Paulding at the Navy
at any time it may suit Your
convenience to call. About Office
Affairs I do is a Question I
Shall to see the Secretary on
full Operation.

With great Respect,
I am Your
Obt Servt
[illegible]
Director.

John D. Cunningham Esq
Chief Clerk Navy
Department
Washington

April 18th 8

Sir

In answer to yours of 11th inst concerning the accompanying mineral Specimen I have to say it is Silicious Crodules with Sulphide of Iron without value or interest

Very Respectfully &c
A Lindeman
Director

P. C. Bolton Esq
Grasshopper Falls
Kansas.

Private

April 18th 8

Robert B. Saun Esq
Late Pr. Mart
San Francisco

Sir, &c,

Your letter on
reference to Your appropriation &
Grant resolution of Nov. & Resolution
has been received & transmitted
to the Secretary of the Treasury.
I had previously written against
calling down Your appropriation or
interfering with the destination of
the donations: and it afforded
me pleasure to state my entire
satisfaction with the management
of Your Board my confidence in the
faithfulness & Consistency of Your
Management of the affairs, which
received the strong endorsement of the
Secretary of the Treasury in that

I understand that the appropriation will be made as estimated for by you.

With great Respect,
Your Friend.
H. Rhinelander
Surveyor

April 20th 8

Sir.

Your accounts of the operations of the Branch Mint at Charlotte for the 1st quarter have been examined and are herewith returned you, and your attention is respectfully directed to the following remarks. viz:

In the calculations of deposits the Standard Weights should be extended to the 3rd decimal figure and your calculation for finding the Alloy Silver should be found by taking 1/99 of the Standard Weight of Gold and not the Gross Weight as you seem to have done in these cases. There are also minor discrepancies in the Ordinary calculations of the deposits, such as dropping the 5th & 7th which it is our custom here to check by a second perfect calculation. (See corrections in red inks on the calculation sheet)

Depositors only should collect their deposits and sign the Receipts in duplicate. The Department will not recognize the receipt of an attorney unless a certified Power accompanies the same. Duplicate receipts should be kept

on file in the Mint for reference. Copies of the Calculations should also be retained and all transactions should be recorded in the Journal & Ledger forwarded you for that purpose.

Bills for the Ordinary Expenses of the Mint are required to be furnished in Duplicate. The Original should be forwarded with your Quarterly Statements to the First Auditor and all vouchers, bills and Pay Rolls are to be certified to by yourself Officially

The Assay reports should accompany the Pay Rolls when rendered to the Department and your Account of Ordinary Expenses should be credited with the amount received from the Department at starting, followed by the Mint Charges on the one side against the Expenses on the other. The balance should be certified to as in other cases.

Very Respectfully Yours
R. P. Linderman
Director Cy. of Mint
per A. Thacker Jr.
Ass. Cash.

J. H. Jones Esq
Assayer
U. S. Branch Mint
Charlotte N. C

April 20th 8

Sir

I herewith transmit the monthly count and examination made at the U.S. Branch Mint at San Francisco Cal by the Superintendent. February 29th 1864.

Hon Hugh McCulloch Secty.
Treasury Dept.
Washington
D.C

Very Respt.
Your Obt. Svt.
H. R. Linderman
Director
per A. Thacher
Asst Clk

April 20

Sir:

I am in receipt of your communication of 15th inst but the check as mentioned was not enclosed.

On receipt of it your order shall have prompt attention

Very Resp
H K Linderman
Cashier
Merchant Nat Bank
Evansville
Ind.

per Attache
Dr C&K

Oct 20 8

Sir:

Your communication of 26th ult. enclosing report for the month of February 1862 has been received.

A part of the monthly communication has been forwarded to the Dept at Washington.

Lt. Col. Hagner Engrs
Capt. U.S.A. Mint
San Francisco

Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
A. Pleasonton
Supt

April 20 1

Sir

I am in receipt of yours of 17th inst. relating to an Express charge of 50¢ on shipment of small Gin.

Herewith enclosed Adams Express Co's order on Express Agent at Hornellsville N.Y. for amount. The charge was an error.

Cashier
First Nat'l Bank
Hornellsville
N.Y.

Very Truly
H K Linderman
Director
per Thacher
Sec'y

April 21. 8.

Messrs. T. Dorsey & Co.

Gentlemen

We are soon
require a supply of copper for the
Mint. and are prepared to offer a
bid for that object. We make your
proposition to the Treasurer who will
consider this note as a requisition
for the article.

Respectfully Yours,
W. L. Linderman

April 23 [illegible]

Ent:

I am in receipt of yours of 22 inst. in relation to the shipment of small arms.

The 5th Com. were sent you in error. Please return them by Adams Express Co. & the 3rd Com. will be shipped you in return

Very Resp.
H. K. Landerman
Agent
per A. Hacker
Vice Clk

M. & A. Holmes & Son
Bankers
Pittsburgh
Pa

April 25, 8

Gents

Recd from your bank this morning two boxes nickel cents 100 cts amt $902.00.

Also three boxes of bronze which are returned by Adams Express. the nickel cents only being exchanged, as per enclosed circular.

Yours Respectfully
E. K. Linderman
Director
per Archer
Dis Clk

Fallkill Nat Bank
Poughkeepsie
N. Y.

April 25th 8

Sir

Before business hours this morning I made examination of the books and monies on hand in the office of the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at Philadelphia and found a balance of $989.568.02. which corresponds with his Statement of account, at the close of business hours on Saturday 25th inst

Very Respectfully &c
Robert Patterson
Director

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of the Treasury
Washington
D. C.

April 27th 8

Sir

The usual monthly count and examination made at the close of business hours on Saturday 25th inst, exhibited the following balances in the hands of the Treasurer of the Mint

Gold	$ 316.461.00
Silver	55.913.14
Ordinary Dimes	69.785.13
Copper "	367.123.60
San Francisco Branch Mint	13.281.83
Denver " "	228.52
Charlotte " "	150.52
	$ 1.023.263.74

This corresponds with the balances as stated on that officer's books of account

Very Respectfully &c

A R Linderman

Director

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of Treasury
Washington

April 28. 8.

Gentlemen.

I will thank you to inform me what the difficulty is attending the working of the present supply of Steel. what is postponed to be done to insure the production of the steel essentially of a character suitable for Gunnage work & can be executed with our utmost vigour by the Manufacturers &c

Very Respectfully,
Your Obedt Servant
Dexter.

J. C. Dorr Esq
Supt Harpers Ferry

April 20. 0,

Hon Charles O'Neil
Washington D C

When will
Our letter on Coinage meet for transaction
of business. - answer

A. L. Henderson
Director

April 29th 8

Dear Sir

I have your favor of yesterday
My letter to Mr Osborne was one of
inquiry only & did not contain
up a situation in New York and
to this place. I regret if he has no
so, and his qualification as a Mod
are not, in my opinion well adapted
for the preparation of Models for India
& Canada and I do not therefore deem
to engage his service.

Very Respt
H K Brooke
per Atheron
Mrs Ch

John Sartain Esq
932 Jefferson St.
Phila

April 29 1865

Sir:

I herewith return P.O. Order No. in yours of 23 inst. payment of, refused in consequence of the omission of Louisville P.O. Stamp.

When properly Stamped please return & your order shall have prompt attention.

F. J. Bell Esq.
Louisville
Ky.

Jas. A. Ruby
Secretary
per A. Thacher Jr.
Dis. Clk

May 1st 8

From Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of the Treasury

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that yesterday, we struck from the dies engraved under your order, from designs prepared by J. Goldsborough Bruff esq, for that purpose, the Gold medal awarded by Congress to Cyrus W. Field Esq in commemoration of his services &c in establishing Telegraphic communication between America and Europe. The medal, in my opinion, will not suffer by comparison with any recent production in this branch of Art. It will be forwarded to you as soon as a suitable case can be prepared for it. At the time you commissioned me to prepare this medal you were pleased to express a desire that the Mint should be brought to the highest attainable efficiency especially in its artistic departments and stated your willingness to afford every reasonable aid to that end. It affords me pleasure to state that every facility for promoting the efficiency of this branch of the public service has been freely afforded by the Department and with good results. The present appears to be a favorable opportunity for some remarks in relation to the subject of Medals, the importance of which,

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more especially those of a National Character, has not heretofore been recognized in our country to the extent to which the subject is fairly entitled by the common consent of all communities where the arts of civilization are cherished. They are at once the waymarks of a nations history and its most enduring monuments, and while the inscriptions they bear convey to distant ages the most indubitable records of the events they commemorate, the nobility of design and excellence of artistic execution they display furnish the most satisfactory evidence of the encouragement given to the arts at the time, as well as the cultivation of principles of taste and refinement then prevailing. An apology for the neglect adverted to may perhaps be found in the rapid march of events which has characterized our national progress hitherto, leaving but brief opportunities to dwell upon the points that make up the higher excellencies of the productions of Art. But the time has come when we owe it to the character and position we have been called to occupy in the company of nations, that a higher regard should be had to those subjects which must inevitably go to complete our history — to tell to other people and to other times the advance we have made in

"The arts that mould a nations soul;"

The historian and the artist should be consulted in determining the appropriateness of design. The skill required to execute should be sustained with liberality, provided with ample means, & left free to pursue

pursue the most efficient processes to give effect to the work. On this point it may not be inappropriate to remark that there is often in the true artist-character a degree of modesty or diffidence which prevents men of merit from complaining of wrongs that they nevertheless feel to be oppressive and unjust, in respect to the position they ought to occupy, and in nothing has this been more apparent than in the distribution of those orders under government calling for the fabrication of medals, commemorative of national achievement. While we have artists of ability competent to undertake as well as execute these works. They have too frequently been entrusted to persons of no especial qualifications for the work, who have profited by the contract obtained while the artist employed has been poorly or indifferently compensated for the labor required. This misdirection of the liberality designed to accompany the national award, ought to be corrected, and the government would gain in every respect; the work would be of better character, more strictly illustrative of the actual condition of an arts & of the place to which they are justly entitled; fulfilling at the same time a duty to the ingenuity of that class among its citizens whose works are the just objects of national pride.

I am, with great respect

Your most obt svt

H. K. Linderman

Director

May 2 0

Sir.

I am in receipt of your communication of 30th ult. requesting an exact Memorandum of deposit of gold dust received at Mint April 25th 00.

Please find enclosed the Memorandum (duplicate) the original was delivered to the Express Co with the Coin.

Your request to remit proceeds in draft could not be complied with as there is no authority for the Mint to pay proceeds of deposits other than in Coin or Bars.

Very Truly
E. Lindeman
Director
per A Thacher
Disbursing Clk

First Nat Bank
Scranton
Pa

May 4. 8.

Prof. W. Allen.
Washington College.
Lexington Va.
Dear Sir.

I have Yours of the 29th ult. The engraving of a pair of dies as described in Your letter would cost about $75.— This is much less than such work is ordinarily done for, but the recent importation of a very valuable Engraving Machine enables us to perform dies in much less time than was formerly required. The only difficulty in the way is that we do not desire to place the Mint in the position of a competitor with artists for this kind of work. However if You desire the dies prepared we will undertake the work at the above cost & they will be produced in a style worthy of the Country.

Respectfully Yours
W. R. Linderman
Director of the Mint.

May 4th 8

Sir

Your communication of 30th ult. concerning an Express charge of 50¢ on a shipment of small Coin received. Please find enclosed Adams Express Co's order on the Express Agent at Little Valley N.Y. for the amount. The charge was an error.

P. J. Marsh Esq
Little Valley
N.Y.

Very Resp
H. R. Lindsman
Supt
per A. Thacher
Jr Clk

May 4. 8

R. Tenfield Esq,
Treasury Department,
Washington City,
Dear Sir,

I have yours of 2d inst, the has not a copy of the Communication but on how the Officers statistics in another Office, by which it appears that,

	The Coinage of the Mint & Branch Mints for the	Deposits for
	1863–64 was	$25,048,000 $17,330.00
	Do of Jan 1864–27,827,000	69,280.00

to an answer to the enquiries contained in the concluding paragraph of Your letter I send You a copy of my Annual Report for the fiscal Year ending Jun 30. 1867. The Coinage Statistics contained therein are correct.

The Annual Report previous to that of 1854 were for Calendar Years. After that time the reports were made for Fiscal years. That of 1854 being from January 1st to June 30th 1854 inclusive

Director of the Mint

May 4. 8.

My dear Sir,

I endose herewith a paper containing answers to the questions contained in the printed document enclosed with yours of 2d. inst. If anything more in detail is required, please advise me and the same will be furnished. The Circular is returned herewith. The pamphlets requested are also forwarded.

Very truly Yours
H. R. Linderman

Hon. Jay Cooke Esq.
Treasury Department
Washington
D.C.

May 4. 8.

My dear Sir,

I enclose herewith a paper containing answers to the questions contained in the printed document enclosed with yours of 2nd inst. If anything more in detail is required, please advise me and the same will be furnished. The circular is returned herewith. The pamphlets requested are also forwarded.

Very truly Yours
H. Rodenbough

Hon. Jay Cooke Esq.
Treasury Department
Washington
D.C.

Answers.

		Weight. Grains
1 and 2 Double Eagle, or	$20	516.
Eagle "	$10	258
Half Eagle "	$5	129.
Quarter Eagle "	$2½	64½
Three Dollars		77 4/10
One Dollar		25 8/10

3 All nine-tenths or 900 thousandths fine

4. Their dimensions are fixed by Mint regulation; not by law. They are as follows:

	Diameter in twentieths of one inch	Thickness in thousandth of one inch (average)
Double Eagle	26	47
Eagle	21	60
Half Eagle	14	46
Quarter Eagle	16	34
Three Dollars	15	34
One Dollar (old)	10	25
" " (new)	11	18

5. Tolerance of weight, one-half grain to each of the three larger coins; one-quarter grain to each of the three smaller coins.

tolerance of fineness; two thousandths. (but in practice, it is limited to one-half thousandths.

6. There is no legal limit. Pieces that are bored, clipped, or unduly worn are refused and disappear from circulation.

7. The Mint charge is one half of one-per cent which the person presenting the bullion pays. He also pays expenses of refining &c. when the bullion requires it.

8. As soon as the bullion can be melted and assayed; usually the coin is delivered the third day. To enable us to do this, the Government keeps a sufficient deposit of gold in the Mint.

9. By Government, not by contract.

10. It is open to the public; and all its supplies are from that source.

11. The Government is bound to supply stamped bars in exchange for bullion, or

foreign coins at a small charge equal to the expense of making the bars.

12 Copies of Regulations & Laws concerning Mint forwarded.

May 5. 8.

Hon Hugh McCulloch,
Secretary of the Treasury.
Dear Sir.

I have Your
favor of Yesterday requesting four additional
sets of our Coins in aluminium. The Engraver
has been instructed to prepare them without
delay & I expect to be able to forward them
to You in from four to six days. It is
only a few days since that we were able
to obtain a supply of aluminium, which
explains the delay in preparing the
two sets of impressions previously
asked.

An injury occurred to our large
Medal press in Striking the Field
Gold Medal, which will require until
Friday next to repair. In the course of three
days thereafter I hope to be able to send
You a Bronze Copy of the Field Medal.

May 5 8

Sir:

I am in receipt of your communication of 4th inst enclosing Asst No 2224 on Asst Treas N.Y. for Small Coin.

The 3 & 5 ¢ Coins ordered will be shipped to morrow. The 1 ¢ in ten days.

Very Respy
H. K. Linderman
Director
per A. Thacher
Asst Clk

Hon. F. E. Spinner
Treasurer U.S.
Washington
D.C.

May 6 8

Sir:

I have this day mailed to your address, one hundred copies of the circular relating to the purchase of Richard Coffee Cart, as requested in your favor of 3th inst

Very Respy
H. K. Zimmerman
Director
per Thacher
Sec'y

Hon. C. M. Tevely
2d Asst P.M. General
Washington
D.C.

May 7th 5

Sir:

I herewith enclose Express Receipt for two cases shipped to your Branch containing 12 Ream blue bill paper as per your order of 13th ult.

Gen'l Lane Esq
Supt U.S. Mint
Denver
Col.

Very Respy
H K Zimmerman
Agent
per Thacker
Asst Cash

May 5. 8

Mr William H. Harmon
No. 1535 Mercer st, Phil.

Dear Sir

In reply to
Your note of 6th inst. I have to state that
Your offer of forty dollars ($40) for the
old Screw Press, is accepted. The
Engraver of the Mint will deliver it to
You on the payment of that amount
to the Treasurer.

Respectfully Yours
H L Pierce Treasurer

May 5, 8.

Jno. F. Dunning Esq,
Supt. Assay Office N.Y.
Dear Sir

I enclosed
letter from our Metallurgist
in answer to your
of Yesterday. I regret
that your request cannot
be complied with,

Very Truly
W. R. Linderman
Director

8 May. 8

Dr. W. R. Linderman
Director, U. S. Mint
Dear Sir,

I have examined Mr. Dunning's
letter of 7th inst. in relation to copper plates, used
in amalgamation, & beg to say that we have previously
tried them, & have found that the mercury has retained
much of the base metals, that the gold was much
injured by them. We have therefore refused such
copper, except as a gold deposit, & even then
only after preliminary trial of its baseness.
The M. & R. of the Asp. Off. could refine the lot,
precisely as I have formerly done, but with more
ease, in his sulphuric pots, & either make blue
vitriol for sale or metallic copper, & then
allow the depositor for balance of copper after
covering costs of process.

Respectfully yours
J. N. C. Booth

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May 12, 8.

Hon James Pollock.

My dear Sir,

A claim has been made by the State of Pennsylvania for the Muskets sent to the Union, procured as it is alleged during the emergency of the Rebellion. Will you have the kindness to inform me what portion, if any, of the arms procured during your term of Office as Supt. were from the state of Pennsylvania,

Your friend & Servt,

J. K. Rendel

Secretary

Nov 13th 8

Sir:

I forward to you to-day per Express Co two set of impressions of our coins in aluminum. Two set more are ready but could not be forwarded to-day on account of an error having occurred in the Engravers order for coins. We have ordered two instead of four coins. The order for two additional coins has been given and we hope to receive them in a day or two.

On to-morrow I expect to forward you a Bronze copy of the Field Medal.

Very Truly
Yours &c
A. E. Lindsman
Director

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secy of Treasy
Washington
D.C.

May 14. 6-

Hon Hugh McCulloch,
Secretary of the Treasury,
&c.

I send you
today per Adams Express Co.
one Bronze Field Medal
which I hope will reach
you in good order.

To-morrow we
expect to be able to forward
the two remaining sets
of impressions of our
coins in Aluminium.

With great respect,
Your Obt. Servant,
J. R. Lindemann
Director

May 15. 8

Messrs. Thomas Person & Son,
No. 15 Lloyd St.
Manchester.

When may the
effect to receive the Steel Rolls, from
Rumpf to establishment. We need them
in our operations.

Very Respectfully
H. Rheinderman
Director

May 15 F

Sir:

The enclosed $5 Coin received in yours of 11th inst is genuine.

Yours Truly
H. K. Lindsman
Director
per A. Thacher
Asst Cash

J. V. Aird Esq
Care Busey Bros & Co.
Urbana Ill

May 15 8

Sent:

Your communication of 5th inst reporting an Express charge of $1.25 on a shipment of small Arms has been received.

I herewith enclose the report of the Agent of the Adams Express Co on the subject, embracing an order on the Express Agent at Cohute Claud to refund the amount to you, provided it was not paid for Stage or Wagon service.

I also enclose a copy of the regulations for the distribution of the small Arms.

Very Truly
H K Zinderman
Director
per A Thacher
Asst Clk

Hon Zach Chandler
Detroit
Mich.

Copy

Office of Adams Express Co.
No 320 Chestnut St.
Phila. May 15th 1866

To the Express Agent
White Claudt Kans.

Dr Sir

Sometime since we sent from the U.S. Mint at this city, containing $10 50 Cts & Mex Gold coin to Oregon No. This was marked for & on the way here & should have been delivered without charge, if they can be reached by Rail Road.

Wells Fargo & Co went to the Direct of the Mint under date of May 8 that they have been charged $2.50 by the Express & that every inquiry on the subject they say the Office at Oregon has been discontinued & the money & the bag from your office. It may be that this charge is over a Stage or Wagon route not accessible by Rail Road & if so the charge is right. You will see by the accompanying circular that the Mint pays for all coin to the amount of $30 to any point accessible by Rail Road or Steamboat & if this bag was delivered from an office on a Rail-road it should have been delivered without charge.

You will therefore please refund the $2.25 & charge it back to the Chicago Office if they made the charge. or if you made the charge it must be refunded & settled for Stage or Wagon service.

Respectfully Yrs
Lyle Thompson
Sup't Mint Dep't Adams Ex Co

May 1st 1865

Sir.

Your communication of 26th ult. enclosing report for April has been received.

I have this day shipped to your Branch the series of 1865 (Bronze) contained in Circular Letter dated July 1st last with the exception of the following Nos 31. 32. 64. 65. The numbers omitted will be forwarded as soon as the dies can be prepared.

Very Respy
H. R. Linderman
Director

Robt J. Doane Esq
Supt U.S. Mint
San Francisco
Cal

May 11 1880

Genl.

Your communication of 10th inst has been received.

I have to request that on the arrival of the vessel you will advise me of the name of the vessel & the marks on the case. On the receipt of the above information I will apply to the Hon Secretary of the Treasury for a permit to pass them through the Newark Custom House free of duty.

In the Prosecution of your duty

W. Kelsinderman

Collector

Box 2074

New York City

May 15th 8

Sir:

Your communication of 16th inst enclosing design for the case of the Field Medal is received.

It will be impossible to use the design as the case is too near completion to admit of any alteration.

The design adopted, I think is equally creditable in comparison with the one you enclose.

Mr Tiffany Esq
Del Camp Franklin
Newark
N.J.

Very Truly
M. Kellinbrand
Director

May 18. 5.

Dear Spencer.

I fear that Your Son William will not soon be sufficiently restored to health to admit of his returning to his duties at the Mint. His leave of absence has been extended from time to time for several months past in the hope that his health would become restored. If at the end of the present month there is no permanent improvement in his health I would respectfully suggest that he resign his position. This course I suppose to leave the position unfilled for a few months more & should the health of Your Son become restored, I will take great pleasure in reappointing him.

Very Truly Your Friend
Obt. Servant
H. R. Linderman

Hon. Robert Patterson
Phila.

May 18. 8.

J. C. Booth Esq.
Mather & Kafner,

The repeated & protracted absences of Mr Earp from duty seems conclusively that the position may be abolished without detriment to the business of your Office. I have therefore determined to discontinue it on and after the 31st inst.

Very Respectfully
Your obedt Servant
H. Linderman
Director

May 19. 8

Hon Hugh McCulloch.
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir.

I duly receive your
of the 16th inst and was much pleased to
learn that the Field medal has been
prepared to your entire satisfaction.

The attention of the
Engraver of the Mint, being called to the
defect noticed by you in the Bronze copy,
applies that it does not exist on the die.
To avoid any mistake about this point,
I suggest that the Bronze copy be
returned to us for comparison with the
die. Enclosed is a report from the
Engraver on the subject. I have directed
Two copies in Bronze of the Field medal
to be prepared for the use of your department.

I forward to day by
Adams Express the two remaining sets of
impressions of our Coins in aluminum

Such great respect,
Your Ob't. Servant,
H. R. Lundeman
Artist

"Copy"

Mint of the United States
Philadelphia May 18th 1864

Dear Sir

The defect to which you refer me in the bronzed impression of the Field medal transmitted to Washington; was not noticed here, the striking was hastily done and the piece when struck was sent away before I had an opportunity of closely examining it. Whatever the effect may be — if I correctly comprehend the animadversions it has elicited: it must be owing solely to an accident in the process of striking — as there is no imperfection in the dies to produce it otherwise and will not of course occur when more time and care are given to the process referred to —

Very Respectfully &c
(signed) James B Longacre
Engraver

H. R. Linderman Esqr
Director

May 20th 6

Sir:

In reply to your communication of 19th inst I would state that the redemption of the 6per Cents ceased in 1868.

I cannot advise you relative to the disposition of those in your hands.

Franklin Burrough Esq
Post Master
Millville City
N. J.

Very Resp'y
H. L. Linderman
Director
per Thacher
Dis Clk

May 21st 8

Hon D. H. Cragin
U. S. Senator

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of yesterday. There is no report nor work descriptive of the Mint except a pamphlet containing the Laws in reference to the Mint, Branches, & Coinage & another in relation to the transaction of business at the Mint, copies of which are sent herewith. In my next annual Report it is my intention to give in an appendix thereto, a brief history of the Mint & a description of the Apparatus, Machinery, processes & as used in the manipulations pertaining to the refining & Coinage of the different metals. This information appears to be required for the use of the public.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obt servt
A. R. Linderman
Director

May 22 1860

Sir

Your communication of 14th inst
upon being requisition for $76.881.30 has
been received & the same transmitted to
the Asst Secretary of the Treasury at Washington with my approval with the request
that it may receive early attention

Very Respy
W. P. Richardson
Director

Robt B Swain Esq
Supt U S Mint
San Francisco
Cal

May 22 1

Sir.

I herewith transmit Requisition received from the Superintendent U.S. Branch Mint San Francisco Cal. for $76.581.30 the same having been approved by me.

I have to request that it may meet with early attention

Very Respy
H Bleidorn
Director

May 25th 8

Sir:

The usual monthly count and examination made at the close of business today on Saturday 23 inst. exhibited the following balances in the hands of the Treasurer of the U.S. Mint.

Gold	$00.197.50
Silver	43.609.30
Ordinary Fund	61.336.00
Copper "	312.580.46
San Francisco Bullion	13.189.14
Denver "	.52
Charlotte "	104.27
	$931.017.19

Corresponding with the balances as stated on that officers books of account

Very Respy.
Your Obt Svt
H. L. Linderman
per Attached Assistant in the Director

Hon Secretary of Treasury
Washington

May 25 8

Sir:

At the close of business hours on Saturday (23rd inst.) I made examination of the book and monies on hand in the office of the Assistant Treasurer U.S. at Philadelphia and found a balance of $ 205.032.89 which corresponds with his statement of account for that day.

In the above the following data counted as Cash. viz

Certificate of Temporary Loan $ 917.27

Hon Hugh McCulloch Very Respy.
Secretary of Treasury
Washington
D.C.

Jno. L. Linderman
Director
per Thacher
Dis Clk

May 25 1865

Sir:

I herewith transmit Robt B Swain Esq Superintendent U S Branch Mint, San Francisco Cal report of the Count and examination made at that Branch for the Month of March & April 1865.

Hon Hugh McCulloch Very Resp'y
Secretary of Treasury Your Ob't Sv't
Washington D.C. Wm Lindeman
Director
per A Thacher
Asst Cash

May 25 1

Sir:

In reply to your communication relating to the price of old American Coin I would state that the Mint can receive gold & silver coin as a deposit and pay for them the intrinsic value only.

The high price which some coin command is occasioned by Collectors wishing to add to, or complete their collection: as in the case of the 1804 Dollar mentioned in yours, there are but three or four original coin of that date known in the country and consequently the scarcity compels Collectors desiring one to pay an extravagant price for it. Dollars 1794 to 1803 are not rare and sell from $1.00 to $5.00 according to condition

Very Respy
H. R. Linderman
Director
per A. Mackenzie
Sec'y

D. M. Fitch Esq
Peterboro
Madison Co N.Y.

May. 25 8

Sir:

In consequence of the large amount of Dimes and Half Dimes now being coined at the Mint it is deemed proper to relax the rule as to the number of pieces to be taken for the Annual Assay. The Treasurer will hereafter take one piece for every 5.000 pieces, instead of one for every 2.500 pieces as has heretofore been done. This Regulation to apply to Dimes and Half Dimes only.

Very Respy
A Dallas
Director

James W. Ridgely Esq
Treasurer U.S. Mint

May 25 8

Sir:

In consequence of the large amount of Dimes and Half Dimes now being coined at the Mint it is deemed proper to relax the rule as to the number of pieces to be taken for the Annual Assay. The Treasurer will hereafter take one piece for every 5.000 pieces instead of one for every 2.500 pieces as has heretofore been done. This regulation to apply to Dimes and Half Dimes only.

Very Respy

A. Loudenman

Director

Jacob R. Eckfeldt Esq

Assayer

Mint

May 27 1867

Sir:

I am in receipt of your communication of 20th inst. relating to a settlement of the account of the Branch Mint at New Orleans La.

I herewith transmit a transcript of the account kept in this office showing the same closed by the payment of the balance $35.52 into the Treasury under date of August 30th 1866.

Very Respy.
Your Obt Svt
H. R. Linderman
Director
per A. T. Bache
Disbursing Clerk

Hon. E. W. Taylor
Comptroller
Treasury Dept
Washington
D.C.

May 28 8

Sir:

I am in receipt of your communication of 22nd inst. relating to a deposit said to have been made by the Importers & Traders Nat Bank N.Y. of $4 as over two months ago for $5 Coin for account of your Bank.

Having examined the books of the Mint, I find that no such deposit has been received at this Institution

Very Respy
H K Lindeman
Director

Cashier
Merchants Nat'l Bank
of Little Rock
Ark

May 28th 8

Sir:

I am in receipt this day of a communication from the Merchants National Bank of Little Rock, Ark. relating to a deposit of $400 for 50 Cts said to have been made by your Bank for account of said Mer Nat Bk.

I have to request that you will furnish me with the date of such deposit (if made) and the channel through which it was made.

Very Truly
W. Robinson
Director

Cashier
Importers & Traders
Nat'l Bank
New York

May 28 8

Gent:

I am in receipt of yours communication of 25th inst. advising of shipment of box containing inks.

The box was received this day in a broken condition, containing 145 Cts. Value $142.10. Ants returned .60. The proceeds have been shipped to your address per Adams Express Co.

Yours Respy
H K Lowerman
Director
per Thacher
Dis Clk

Messrs Homer Ramsdell & Co
Newburgh
N.Y.

May 20th 1

Sir:

I am in receipt of your communication of 18th inst relating to a deposit of $200 by the Bank of North America of this city said to have been made with the Mint for Gold Coin. The amount was deposited by said Bank with the Adams Express Co and by some error was not entered on the books of the Mint by the Agent of that Company. This day the amount has been deposited with the Mint & the coin forwarded by Adams Express Co.

Cashier
Farmers Nat'l Bank
of Salem

Very Respy
Yr Obt Servt
W. Kendrick
Director
per A. Thacher
Asst Clk

May 28 . 8

Gent:

I herewith transmit Jay Cookes
on L & G N.Y. $2760 $459.45 in payment
of invoice dated May 24 / 78

Yours Respy
H. L. Zinderman
Director
per Thacher
Dis C.R.

Hon Secretary of Treasury
Washington
D.C.

May 29. 8.

Geo. W. McClure Esq.
Denver, Colorado Ty.
Dear Sir,

I have yours of 22nd inst and thank you for the information contained therein. The subject will receive immediate attention,

Very Truly Yours.
W. L. Linderman
Director.

May 6. 8.

J. H. Booth Esq,
Hotel Keeper
Dear Sir,

It being reported
to me that John Smith an employee in
Your Department has been in the habit
of using grossly disrespectful language
towards the President of the United States
he is hereby suspended until further
orders and until the facts of the
case can be fully ascertained

Very Respectfully
W. Robinson
Auditor.

P.S.
Every employee in Your Department
whom You may recommend to
perform the duties of the District
will be assigned to duty accordingly
W. R.

May 30. 61.

The Service of
Steamer Star will
be dispensed with
on and after to day
H Robinson
Asst
To the Master Rapahannock

May 30th 6

Sir:

I inclose herewith a private letter received by me yesterday from Mr Geo W McClure of the Branch Mint at Denver Colorado Territory. Mr McClure was originally employed in the private Assay office of Mes Clark Gruber & Co and on the organization of the Branch Mint was appointed Coiner and has since discharged the duties of Weigh Clerk. He is a citizen of good standing and his statements in relation to the condition of affairs at the Branch Mint warrant a rigid personal examination of that institution by some competent Agent of the Department, and I respectfully recommend this course to be pursued.

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of Treasury
Washington
D C.

W. D. Lindeman
Director

Copy

Denver Colorado
May 22nd 1868

Dr Linderman
Superintendent U.S. Mint
Phila. Pa

Sir:-

I wish to ask you a few questions and should you deem them worthy of answer I will be under many obligations.

1st Is it customary at your Mint to allow employees to sign the Pay Roll eight or ten months in advance, and then get one months leave of absence, and be gone six or eight?

2nd Is it your custom to build additional bed rooms to the Mint for employees and for them to order the Coatchman to let everybody in at all and any hours of night that they wish to come in?

3rd Is it your custom to allow the employees and outsiders to so conduct themselves in the Mint night or day that a stranger

facing the street would think it was a third class "Bar Room"?

4th Is it your custom to have stables at the Mint and keep a man to take care of the horses and his name on the "Pay Roll" of the Mint?

Now if this style of procuring is not in accordance with your rules and regulations then I ask that you send some one here to see the manner in which things are conducted here, as I understand that the Mint is under your control and management. My view of this matter is, that men of larger "mining interests" and "Salt works" Owners Fire & Marine Insurance companies U.S. Inspectors owners of large Dry Store, Clerk of U.S. Supreme Court collected together and drawing pay from the Government is wrong. They draw pay for nothing the Government thinks they do but instead of the Government receiving all their time and knowledge they represent that it is necessary for another person to be appointed to do this or that & then they or their "Pet" can be gone attending

to their own personal business. My only object in writing this letter is to know if such is to way in which all Mints are managed for to have fun poked at the employees of the Mint on account of the "Head" of the Mint is no credit to the Government.

I Hope you will enquire into the facts of what I have said in such a way that the guilty parties cannot have a chance to fix all this loose way of doing business. Should you wish to ask any question in regard to the management of this Mint I will answer them correctly. I will esteem it a favor if you will answer this letter so that if I have done wrong in communicating what I have to you I will not be subject to the ill will of my superior officers. Eckfeldt has resigned his place in the Mint. I think there has been some "foul play" but am not certain. It looks to me as though men were employed to get him drunk and then the Superintendent threatened to report him & he did not resign now he has succeeded. I Hope you will see that the man who is appointed to fill his place will be such a man that the Superintendent cannot use to his purposes (You will excuse me Sir

Chief Clerk

May 30. 8.

J. London Saunders Esq,
Chief Comr. U. S. Court.

Sir,

The services
of the following persons employed in your
Department will be dispensed with
on and after to day.

Wm Shields
Florena McCarty
Dr Pascal & Major Kuse

Very Respectfully Yours
J. H. Richardson
Director.

June 1st 8,

James Cowden Esq;
Newcastle Repairs,

Sir

You will
notify Robert Hogg that
his Service will be dispensed
with on and after to day
on account of intemperance

By Royal Mail
W Chambers

June 1st 8

Sir.

The force employed at the Mint appearing to be in excess of the requirements of the service, you will present by the 10th inst a confidential report to the Director stating the number of employees who may be dispensed with, without interfering with the efficient operations of the Mint, noting as far as practicable the names of those most efficient and regular in the discharge of their respective duties.

Jas. C. Booth Esq
Melter & Refiner
U.S. Mint

Very Respy
[signature]
Director

June 1st 8

Sir

The force employed at the Mint appearing to be in excess of the requirements of the service, you will present by the 10th inst a confidential report to the Director stating the number of employees who may be dispensed with without interfering with the efficient operations of the Mint noting as far as practicable the names of those most efficient and regular in the discharge of their respective duties.

Very Respy

A L Mowder Esq
Chief Coiner
Mint

J. R. Snowden
Director

June 1st 8

Sir

The force employed at the Mint appearing to be in excess of the requirements of the service, you will present by the 10th inst a Confidential report to the Director stating the number of employees who may be dispensed with without interfering with the efficient operations of the Mint noting as far as practicable the names of those most efficient and regular in the discharge of their respective duties.

Jas B Longacre Esq
Very Respy
H Kretzmann
Director

June 1st 8

Sir:

The force employed at the Mint appearing to be in excess of the requirements of the service you will present to me by the 10th inst a confidential report to the Director stating the number of employés who may be dispensed with without interfering with the efficient operations of the Mint noting as far as practicable the names of those most efficient and regular in the discharge of their respective duties.

Very Resp'y
H Linderman
Director

Robt A P Morse Esq
Capt Night Watch
U S Mint

June 1st 8

Sir.

I am in receipt of yours communication of 19th ult. in relation to $500 5/20 Cons ordered by you and not received, requesting me to have the Adams Express Co trace them. The matter has been referred to the Express Co and I herewith enclose their report.

First Nat'l Bank
Denver
Col.

Very Resp'y
W. K. Thompson
Director

Copy

Office of the
Adams Express Co
No 320 Chestnut Street
Philadelphia June 1st 1868

Director of U S Mint
Dear Sir,

The Agent of the Adams Express Co at St Louis writes that only two bags $350. arrived there. Not being able to find the other he delivered the $350 to the United States Express Co Dec 30/67

In answer to our telegram to the Agent of the U S Express Co at Omaha he says he delivered them to the 1st Nat Bank at Omaha & not to the Omaha Nat BK that Bank still holding them. Col Bingham telegraphed on Saturday to have them del'd to the Omaha Nat Bank where they belong & to day we send one bag $150 addressed 1st Nat Bank Denver Col. Care Omaha Nat Bank Omaha the same as the others were marked. This with the $350 now there makes the $500

Yrs &c
Signed J C Thompson

June 2nd 8

Dear Sir:

I duly received your favor of the 28th ult. requesting a copy of Mr Snowden's report in relation to the working of Nickel-Copper alloy which I send herewith.

The preparation of the Nickel-Copper alloy is devolved by law on the Melter & Refiner, while the coinage manipulations belong to the Chief Coiner. Hence while Mr Snowden's report presents a very intelligent resume of what is known in relation to the subject in general, there is much of it that belongs to the province of the Melter & Refiner, who is necessarily well acquainted with the practical workings of the alloy from long experience in his department.

There has been no serious difficulty in working Nickel-alloy at the Mint during the past year and we have turned out a very large amount of that coinage using both the English & Oharton Nickel.

Prof Booth the Melter & Refiner

It is the result of the opinion that there is no material difference of quality in the Nickel obtained from the three principal mines of the article viz: Mohanton (U.S.) Evans & Pickhaven (England)

One strong argument in favor of Nickel-Copper alloy (75 & 25) for Cents is the difficulty of counterfeiting the coin during my service as Director not a single specimen of counterfeit Nickels. Copper Cents has been brought to my attention, and I believe it cannot be successfully attempted

Horace D. Kelley
Washington
D.C.

Geo. Risley
Asst Examiner
Director

June 3. 8.

Gen. H. Lane
Superintendent Branch Mint
Denver Colorado Territory

Has Davis left for the East and
if so when. answer

H. R. Linderman
Director

June 6 8

Sir:

I have shipped this day per Adams Express Co Gold dollars $2.125 Silver $26.85 proceeds of gold bar valued $2.164 1st as per instructions contained in yours of 26th ult.

Col O Lane Esq
Supt U.S. Mint
Denver
Col.

Respy
H. L. Linderman
Director
per A Kacher
Asst Cash

Denver

June 10 /

Sir:

I am in receipt of your of 9th inst covering check Nos for small Dies.

The Dies will be shipped tomorrow 11th inst.

Very Respy
Yr Obt Svt
H R Linderman
Dir of Mint
per Wharton
Asst Clk

Hon. F. E. Spinner
Treasurer U.S.
Washn D.C.

June 12th 8

Sir.

For sometime past reports have reached me respecting the condition of affairs at the Branch Mint Denver, which are of a character to call for an explanation from the Officers of that Institution, and as they effect the Asst Treasury over which I have no control, as well as the Branch Mint, it would seem proper that the examination should be made by the Department.

The charges are as follows:

1st The postponement for several days of the payment of drafts on the Asst Treasurer, and the inference is drawn that the public funds had been temporarily used for private purposes.

2d Irregular attendance of Officers, Clerks, and Workmen.

3d That an excessive force of Clerks and Assistants ~~are~~ employed.

4th That Bedrooms have been attached to the Building, and that the Institution is kept open

often at all hours of the night to attend the
persons who occupy these rooms.

The Superintendent will prob-
ably be able to make a satisfactory explan-
ation of these charges and there should
be a full opportunity afforded for him to
do so before any definite action is taken.

Very Resp.
Your Ob.
H. Robinson
Director

Hon. Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of Treasury
Washington
D.C.

June 23. 8.

Hon John Sherman,
Chairman Com. Finance, U.S.S.

Dear Sir,

As soon as the International Comm. Bill reported by You is printed, I will thank You to send me a few Copies, also, of any report relating to the same subject. - The proposed measure will be the subject of conversation with Commissioners on the subject, & I would like to be able to send them any information that may be required.

Very Truly Your Friend
& Obt Servt,
H. Rollin Strong
Toronto.

June 13 8,

Hon Hugh McCulloch,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Dear Sir,

I will be able to forward to You on Monday 16th inst the Gold Medal Case ordered — It would have been sent to day but we did not think it could be done at in the hands of the Express Company on Sunday.

With great Respect,
Your obt. Servant,
H. K. Linderman
Director.

June 15 8

Sir

Your communication of 10th inst relating to engraving a die for embossing stamps for Envelopes has been received.

My reply has been transmitted to the Hon Secretary of the Treasury (my official Chief) through whom the order will come if the die is required.

Very Resp
H Ledenham
Director

Hon A N Lovely
3d Asst P M General
Washington
D.C.

I herewith return specimen of stamped Envelopes.

June 15th 8

Sir:

I have the Honor to forward herewith an address to day, per Adams Express Co. the Gold Medal struck at the Mint, per your instructions, for Cyrus W. Field Esqr. under the Resolution of Congress authorizing the same. The Medal is enclosed in a neat Rose wood case with gold mountings, all of which were prepared from dies made with our new Engraving Machine. The mountings on the Case are intended to harmonize with the object of the Medal inside, and continue the expression of the same ideas. The fraternity of Man, "Ocean divided", is the true gem of the sea (Pearl). The Trident of Neptune in the corners, is the form used for the points of electricity, and expresses the real dominion or mastery by man; while the gold Cable running round the Globular part of the Pearl continues the Metaphor.

The Centre with the shield and Crest

of Cyrus Field, with the arms of ~~France~~ U.S. States and England on either side, and European Arms right and left of them, expresses the Union of the Nations by the Cable; the small shield of America at bottom of Cable, and the private arms of Mr Cyrus Field in the Centre, or post of honor, is ~~to~~ asserting the claim of the first place in the enterprise for the United States.

I inclose bill for the Medal and Case, amount of which please remit.

Gold, Coin $593.60. Currency $42.30

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of Treasury
Washington
D.C.

Very Resp.
Yr obt Svt
H Robinson
Director

Phila.

June 15th 1868

United States Treasury

To Mint of the United States.

Gold Bullion contained in Medal
Presented to Cyrus W. Field 562.88
Loss in Manufacture .72
Gold Bullion in Mountings on Case 30.00
Coin = $593.60

Amount paid for Pearl Case $17.00
" " Engraving Gold Shield & Rec. 7.00
" " " Velvet Lining &c 10.00
" " " Mounting Case 1.30
Currency — $42.30

Rec'd Payment
W. Kline
Director

June 15th 1

Sir:

I enclose herewith a copy of communication from the Third Assistant Post Master General, in reference to engraving dies for embossing the stamps on Envelopes &c, also copy of a communication from the Engraver of this Mint on the same subject.

There is no doubt as to the ability of the Engraver and his assistant Mr Barber, to do the work in a style at least equal to the samples presented, but it would not be fair to ask them to do it without compensation. The work could be done out of Mint hours and without interfering in the least with their official duties. The pay received by these officers is small, when the skill in their business is considered. If you see no objection to Mr Longacre & Barber doing this work for the Contractor, who has the furnishing of Envelopes for the Department, I will

authorize them to do so.

Mr Barber had several years experience in such work in London and the work if undertaken, I have no doubt will be done in a style creditable to the Country.

With great Respect
Your Friend & Obt Servt
W Linderman
Director

Hon
Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of Treasury
Washington
D.C.

(Copy)

Post Office Department
Finance Office
June 10th 1864

Sir:

The Contractor for furnishing this Department with Stamped Envelopes informs me that he is unable to find any one who can engrave a die for embossing the stamp, from which as fine work as is issued by some of the European Governments can be produced. If such person can be found the Contractor is very anxious to secure his services as the Department desires to issue some new style of Envelopes.

Will you be pleased to inform me if you know of any one who can be recommended for such work? I enclose specimens and please return them with your answer.

Very Respectfully

H. R. Linderman Esq
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia Pa

(Signed) A. N. Zevely
Third Asst P.M. General

Copy

Mint of the United States
Engraver's Dept
Phila. June 15th 1868

Dear Sir

In the specimens submitted to me from the Post-Office Department, of stamped envelopes of European manufacture, a preceding a style of execution not attainable by the ingenuity of our own operative artists, I perceive nothing of artistic character or execution, that is not within the compass of the skill embraced by this department of the public service.

There can be no difficulty whatever in producing work of equal merit and artistic excellence, by the force in this establishment, beyond the question of time necessary and adequate compensation for the relative skill required.

Very Respy &c
H. R. Linderman Esq Director
James B. Longacre
Engraver

June 17th 0

Sir

I herewith transmit requisition
Superintendent U. S. Branch Mint, Denver
Col Ter'y. for $15.50 with my approval.
I have to request that you will
give it early attention

Hon Hugh McCulloch Secy
Secretary of Treasury
Washington
D.C.

Respectfully
Your Ob't Sv't
W. Boldeman
Director

Surveyor's

Sir,

I am in receipt of your communication of 2nd inst. enclosing requisition No. 7. 916. 56 which I have transmitted to the Department at Washington with my approval.

Also yours of same date with statement of operations for months of May 1868.

Col Wm Lane Surv.
Supt W. Dist Nev.
Reno

Geo Reeh
Wm H Thompson
Director

January 17 1870

Sir:

At the request of Senator Nye I transmit herewith detailed estimate of the machinery &c apparatus required for a Coinage of from to thirty million per annum at the Branch Mint at Carson City, Nevada.

The following is a summary of the Estimate:

Melting & Refining Department	$13.000
Foundry add for labor &c	3.120
Assay Department	1300
" Labor	700
Morgan Orr & Co estimate of machinery	45.000
	$64.000

For the Treasurers Department I estimate as follows: Balance 5.000
Furniture &c 1.000
Gas fixtures, pipes, plumbing, shafting & belting 5.000
Freight on Machinery & Apparatus, labor in putting up the same & incidentals 25.000
$100.000

The actual expense will probably fall below rather than above the estimate.

Hon Lot M Morrill
Chairman Com on Appropriations
Washington
D.C.

Very Resp.
W. B. Hinsdale
Director

(copy)

United States Mint
Office of Melter & Refiner
Philada 17th June 1866

Dr R. E. Linderman
Director U. S. Mint

Dear Sir;

In reply to your
favor of this date, I would ask
leave to submit the following estimate of the cost
of fitting up the Melting and Refining Department
of the Assay Mint at Carson City, to
work by the Sulphuric process, at the rate of
20 millions worth of gold per annum.

I may premise that I have not as exact
information in relation to the details of the
Sulphuric process, as of the Iodine but that the
difference in cost between them is not very
great.

I divide the items into the several departments
and have given, in order that the
cost may be compared, if already
provided in that Branch Mint

Office

Large Balances. Tables. Weights &c say about $ 200.

Deposit Melting

Furnaces &c Tools. Furniture.

Foremans and Clerks Desk. Floor, cutting $ 100.00
Crucibles, Moulds, Ladles, Tongs, 20 Ounces figure, 350.
" " 300
Grinding Machine
Pipes, Trenches, Woodwork Plumbing, &c 200.

Granulating Room over $ 350.

Furnaces (3) Casting moulds Tools Pans Shovels &c $ 600.
Copper Kettles, (2) Pans Copper (3) Pans copper lined &c 6000.
Crucibles (100) Woodwork Tunnels Pails &c 100.

Pattern Arrangements

Iron Kettles and Furnaces, Iron pipes and cocks. Tools, Ladles &c Acid Jars and Reservoirs vats, tubs, buckets, pitchers, Filters, Cars and Trucks. Brick Work, Plumbing &c &c Probably not less than $ 5000.

Furnaces and Pans 2000.
Hydraulic Press. 2000.
1 Press. Copper. 250.
Pans. &c 2.0 $ 4450.

Melting Room

Furnaces (2) Tools, Iron moulds Lathes floor Casting moulds, Figure Runners &c 1000.
Pipes (copper lined) Pipes, Buckets, Brushes, Pails &c 400.
Crucibles (100) 480.

Grinding Room

Grinding Mill for sugar. Vats. Pipes Pails, Buckets, Sieves, Sweating floor, $ 1500
Drying oven &c &c 1.0.0 11.
$ 13.880.

I think that most of the above estimates will be found over the truth, as a large amount of labor in construction is not embraced in them.

Very truly Yours.
Signed J. C. Good

June 17 8

Hon Wm D Kelley

Dear Sir,

At the request of Hon Wm D Kelley I send you herewith a statement of the weight & dimensions of the proposed Token coin's.

I hope to be able in the course of a few days, to send to You a written description of the proposed coins struck or die's recently prepared for that purpose.

Very respectfully
Yr Robt Patterson
Director of the Mint

June 22. 8.

Dear Judge.

I have Your favor of Yesterday & am glad to learn that You are improving in health.

I estimate the annual requirements of the Country for Cents & Cent Coins at about Two Million Five hundred thousand Dollars for several years to come. This is predicated on the idea that the Treasury Note will be withdrawn & that there will be no coinage of Gold & Silver Coins.

The profits on this coinage, payable to the U. S. Treasury will not be less than 66 p.

Very Truly Yours
W. D. Henderson
Director.

June 22 8

Sir:

I am in receipt of yours of 17th inst. The proceeds of your deposit was shipped to your address per Adams Express Co on the 18th inst. in compliance with the orders contained in former communication.

Exchange Bank
Lt Lavaca
Texas

Very Respy
H. L. Lindeman
Director
per Thacher
Dis Clk

June 22 8

Sir:

I am in receipt of your communication of 19th inst.

The charge of 50¢ made by the Express Co was an error. I return the enclosed express order on the Agent for the amount

Buffalo Gas Light Co
Buffalo
N.Y.

Capt. Reed
H.K. Vanderman
Inspector
per A. Thacher
Asst. Clerk

June 23 /

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22 inst. enclosing letter of John Kendeton Jr. Supt San Francisco Assaying & Refining Dep. proposing to refine Bullion for the Branch Mint at San Francisco.

When this subject was under consideration about a year ago the Superintendent at San Francisco expressed the following views in relation thereto;

"I have long been of the opinion that as a general rule, Government should not receive for Coinage anything but refined bullion, leaving the process of refining to private Assayers. But a rule that may very properly apply to other places may not safely be adopted in California. I presume that it is for the interest of Government to encourage the mining interest as far as possible & to offer every facility for the conversion of bullion into the Coinage of the country

country. Hence I question very seriously the policy of any change at this Branch in the reception of deposits so far as the public is concerned. Our depositors are mainly from the Mining region. Oftentimes we receive 150 to 200 deposits a day. A very large number of these men have obtained their dust by the sweat of their own brows and have no confidence in anything but Government. They would feel it to be a great hardship to be compelled to take their dust to a private refiner whose work they have no confidence. The early dark history of private refiners & bankers in California has not been forgotten by our thousands of Miners who suffered so severely; and they should now be encouraged in their arduous and dangerous labours by the belief that Government will save them from imposition.

For these reasons I think that it would be good policy for this Department to receive deposits of crude bullion as heretofore, charging the depositor for parting as usual. But while I would do this in the interest of the Miner I would recommend that

that the refining be discontinued in the Mint here, and the unparted bars be exchanged at our assay value for refined gold or silver. An arrangement of this kind can, I learn from Mr L A Garnett, be made here, at a profit to Government, inasmuch as the refining charge to be paid by the Mint would be less than that received from the depositor. The maximum charge here could be readily fixed at 10 to 11d an ounce, while a contract could no doubt be made at about 9d an ounce.

In recommending this however, I would not advise that this Branch should ever be unprepared to refine gold and silver should the exigencies of the case make the same necessary."

I concur in the foregoing views of the Superintendent and am satisfied that if a contract is made with the refining works it will be a saving to the Government, and an advantage to the people. The maximum charge to the depositor at the Branch Mint to

is, at this time, eleven cents per ounce, having recently been reduced from fourteen cents per ounce. Mr Kewston's proposition is eight cents maximum per ounce; a difference of 3 cents per ounce in favor of the Government.

The charge of eleven cents per ounce does not in my opinion cover the actual cost to the Government; besides whatever wastage occurs in the separating and refining operation is an additional expense which may be saved to the Government by removing the refinery from the Mint.

I can see no objection to relinquishing refining at the Branch Mint provided the refinery is, as recommended by Mr Swain, kept in constant order to resume work at any time it may be necessary to do so. The cost of keeping the refinery in order will be but trifling.

Hon
Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of Treasury
Washington
D.C.

Very Resp
Your Ob't Svt
W. P. Lindeman
Director

June 24th 8

Sir:

At the close of business hours yesterday (23 inst) I made examination of the books and monies on hand in the office of the Assistant Treasurer at Philadelphia and found a balance of $9.881.30 4/4 which corresponds with his statement of account for that day.

Very Respy

Hon
Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of Treasury
Washington
D.C.

Director

June 24 8

Sir.

The usual monthly count and examination made at the close of business hours yesterday (23rd inst.) exhibited the following balances in the hands of the Treasurer of the U.S. Mint:

Gold	$61.946.00
Silver	36.562.55
Ordinary Fund	44.054.00
Copper "	170.451.70
San Francisco Branch	13.189.14
Denver "	52
Charlotte "	104.27
Total	$326.339.06

Corresponding with the balances as stated on that officers books of account.

Very Respy
Your obt Servt

Hon
Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of Treasury
Washington D.C.

A. R. Henderson
Director

June 25 8

Dear Sir,

I thank you for the correction of our Annual Table furnished in yours letter of the 20th inst.

Two of the pieces, however, the Japanese are right as they stand, because being nearly half silver, it was necessary to give them their value upon parting. In a third case, 20 Pesos of Peru, there appears to be a misprint of 7 for 3. And in the case of the gold & silver coin of Maximilian of Mexico, the premises being quite unsettled, it seems an affectation to carry out decimals. Still for the sake of arithmetic and proof reading, it ought to be done, and your figures will be attended to. There is in fact no use of carrying out these calculations to such a nicety, and probably in my next report, we shall use only one decimal place instead of two. No dealer can depend upon having any two lots of coin to correspond very closely. Take the last case on the list that of the English Sovereign, there you find

an average value of 4. 85.12 (or 4. 85.13 we make it by re-calculation) and get another lot of rubber pieces would yield from that point up to 4. 86.3rt; a very considerable difference, due both to wear and accuracy

Col W Edelman Esq

Very Resp

W. Richardson

Director

June 26, 8.

H. S. Cochran Esq,
My Dear Sir,

I have yours of yesterday and am pleased to learn that there is a prospect of an increase of our Clerks Salaries being obtained.

You showed ease on Senator Wyatt ask his support. All the members from this City will support the Bill. if their attention is called to the subject,

I can see no objection to your further absence from the city—

With great Respect,

Your friend
W. R. Henderson

June 26, 8.

Hon Hugh McCulloch,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Sir.

Your favor of
the 17th inst enclosing appointment & instructions
for Hon James Ross Snowden, as Chief Agent
to Denver was duly received with the enclosures as
stated handed to Mr Snowden. I have
explained verbally to him the condition
of affairs at the Branch Mint. The
instructions of the Department cover the
whole ground & leave nothing to add, on the
Mr Snowden has made
Sub. A.
his preparations to start for Colorado on
Monday next & will proceed direct to Denver.

With great Respect,
Your Friend & Obt. Servt.
H. R. Linderman
Director.

June 25, 8.

A. L. Donaldson Esq,
Choctaw,
Sir,

Yours of this date enclosing resignation of Samuel Long Jr, a Workman in the Choctaw Room is received. The resignation of the Long is accepted & you will please so inform him.

Permit me to suggest that papers of this character should be addressed direct to this Office.

very Respectfully
H K Lindsman
Director

June 29 8

Sir:

Referring to your letter of 10th inst and my reply thereto under date of 15th inst in relation to engraving a die for embossing stamps on envelopes I have to state that the Secretary of the Treasury in a communication dated June 16th has given authority to Messrs Longacre & Barber, Engravers in the Institution, to execute the work. You may therefore communicate with those gentlemen on the subject at any time you think proper.

Very Respy
H Kendall
Director

Hon A N Lively
2d Asst P M Genl
Washington
D.C.

June 29 8

Sir.

The specimen contained in yours of 22 inst. are small lumps of iron, not native, but apparently found near a forge or rolling mill.

Benj. Edwards Esq
Sparkshill
Hardin Co
Ills

Yrs. Resp.
H. D. Lieberman
Director
per A. Hacker
Asst. Clk

June 29 80

Sir,

The specimen enclosed in yours of 26th inst. is Antimony, for which we have no use.

It has a small market value, but I do not know how much

Yrs Respy
H. R. Linderman
Director
per Thacker
Asst Clk

Luke Lacke Esq
Scranton
Luzerne Co
Pa

June 29 8

Dear Sir

I am in receipt of your communication of 26th inst relating to the establishing of an Assay Office at Helena, Montana Territory.

I herewith transmit a copy of a bill which will cover all the necessary provision required to establish an Assay Office.

Very Resp'y
Your Ob't
W. J. Anderson
Director

Hon
Wm D Kelley
Washington
D. C.

An Act to locate and establish an Assay Office in the Territory of Montana.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled.

1. That an Assay Office be located and established at Helena, in the Territory of Montana for the Assaying of gold and Silver.

2. For the carrying on of the business of said Office there shall be appointed upon the nomination of the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, an Assayer, whose salary shall be Three Thousand Dollars per Annum, and the Assayer shall employ one Assistant and one clerk at a compensation of Two thousand Dollars each per Annum, and as many workmen under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury as may be required.

3. The Assayer and Clerk to be appointed under this Act before entering upon the performance of their duties shall take an oath or affirmation before some Judge of the United States, or the Supreme Court of said Territory, faithfully and diligently to perform the duties of their offices, and each become bound to the United States of America, with one or more sureties to the satisfaction of the Director of the Mint or of one of the Judges of the Supreme Court of Montana Territory, and of the Secretary of the Treasury, with the condition of the faithful performance of the duties of their office.

4. The general direction of the business of said Assay Office of the United States shall be under the control and regulation of the Director of the Mint at Philadelphia, subject to the approbation of the Secretary of the Treasury, and for that purpose it shall be the duty of the said Director to prescribe such regulations and to require such returns periodically and occasionally by and

to establish such charges for melting, assaying and casting bullion into unparted bars as shall appear to him to be necessary for the purpose of carrying into effect the intention of this Act in establishing said Assay Office.

5. That the sum of $75.000 (seventy five thousand dollars) be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any Moneys in the United States Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be expended in the construction of said Assay Office under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury and for defraying the expenses of conducting said Office for the fiscal year ending June 30 1869, and the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby directed on the passage of this Act to order the immediate construction of said Assay Office

6. All the laws and parts of laws now in force for the regulation of the United States Assay Office at New York and for

the government of the officers and persons employed therein, and for the punishment of all offences connected with said Assay Office, or with the Mint of the United States shall be and they are hereby declared to be in full force in relation to the Assay Office by this Act located and established as far as the same may be applicable thereto.

July 1. 8.

Hon Hugh McCulloch,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Sir,

I expect to be absent from the City from tomorrow until about the 6th inst. During my absence the duties of this office will be attended to by Mr. E. DuBois Asst. Assayer & our Teller, my principal Clerk.

With great Respect,
Your obt. Servant
J. Kendrick
Director.

July 1st 8

Sir

Your telegram of yesterday for three sets of Proof Coin received too late for attention that day.

I have sent the sets this day by Adams Express Co. The Amount $130.86 please remit at your earliest convenience in Coin.

Very Resp'y
A. Robbins Superintendent

Geo. F. Dunning Esq
U.S. Assay Office
New York

July 1st 8

Gent:

I herewith transmit B/L for 129 Barrels Mint Sweepings shipped per Ship "Conquest" from Branch Mint San Francisco Cal

You will see that they are stored in a suitable place preparatory to sampling.

Please pay Freight & Charges and draw on me for the amount at sight

Yrs

E. B. Lindermann & Co
50 Trinity Building
New York

Very Resp
W. L. Linderman
Director

On application at the office of the Line by which they are shipped you can ascertain about what time you may expect them to arrive.

July 2. 8

Sir,

I note that Mr Davis has been confirmed as Miller & Inspector of the Port of Boston — When the commission is issued please let it be forwarded to my care, as Mr Davis will receive his Official Bond here.

With great Respect,
I am Sir
Your Obt Servt
H K Love Donan
Collector

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of the Treasury
Washington

July 3 1866

Sir:

In reply to your communication of 30th ult. relating to the execution of a die for the New York Society of the Cincinnati Medal, I ~~have~~ enclose herewith the report of Jas B Longacre Esq Engraver of this Mint, on the subject

Jno Varney Esq
U States Assay Office
New York

Very Resp'y
H. R. Linderman
Director
per A. B.

Copy

Mint of the United States Pro. Engravers Dep't July 3. 1865

Dear Sir

The decoration of the Society of the Cincinnati referred to me: is not in the line of work appropriate to the operations of the Mint. It belongs rather to the Enamelling Jeweller. The manipulations required in producing it, are of a different kind from those peculiar or essential to this department. Our work is all produced from engraved dies, while the work on the metallic portion even, as this decoration is chiefly if not wholly wrought by the mode better understood as Chasing

Respectfully Yours &c
"Signed" James B. Longacre

H. R. Linderman Esq

July 11 [illegible]

Dear Sir

I shipped the two sets of U.S. Coin struck in Aluminum to you address yesterday. The cost of the case was $1.00 which amount please remit.

Very truly yours

H. Kleinteman

Secretary

What accompanies this letter will suffice as receipt for the Bill I owe you. Can't you Remember?

H K

per [illegible]

July 11 8

Sir.

I am in receipt of your communication of 6th inst requesting me to forward to your Branch 100 ounces C P Lead.

You will please inform me whether you desire it rolled or shipped in the pig.

H. V. Jones Esq.
Assayer U.S. Mint
Charlotte
N.C.

Very Respy
H. Bridgers
Director

July 11. 8

John Jay Knox Esq,
Dear Sir.

If the recent Eight hour
law applies to this institution, please
send me a copy of the same that
our regulations may be altered accordingly.

Very truly Yours,
H Rolenmark
Director.

July 11 8

Sir

Your communication of 7th inst relating to the shipment of one bag gold dust has been received. At the time the dust has not been received at the Mint.

Very Respy
H. L. Linderman
Director
per Thacher
Dis Clk

First Nat'l Bank
Montpelier
Vt

July 13 1

Gent:

I herewith return bill on N.Y. $20 00 received in yours of 9th inst.

It is against the rules of the Mint to issue fine Silver bars except in payment of a deposit of Silver.

Mess G. Wallinckrodt & Co
St Louis
Mo

Very Resp
J. L. Linderman
Director
per A Kacher
Asst Clk

Feb 18 7

Sir:

I am in receipt of your communication of 14th inst requesting that 5 Cases containing Rolls & bars of steel for U.S. Mint may be admitted free of duty.

I have this day requested the Secretary of the Treasury to issue the necessary orders to the Collector of the Port of New York for that purpose.

Respectfully
Your obt Servt
W. H. Kendrick
Supt
New York

Mr Maynard
Treasurer
Mint San Francisco

Cal

Upon arrival the rolls intended for the Branch Mint San Francisco will please be shipped to their destination and send duplicate B/L to this Office.

July 15th 8.

Sir:

I am advised, under date of 14th inst. by Messrs Prosser & Son New York, of the shipment per Steamer "America" from Bremen of 5 Cases containing six hundred Rolls and (25) twenty five bars of Steel, a portion for the use of this Mint & the balance for the Branch Mint at San Francisco Cal.

I have to request that you will advise the Collector of the Port of New York to pass the above cases through the Custom House free of duty. They are marked as follows. viz FK 1793. SI. FK 1794 & 5. 1796 & 7.

Very Respt
Yr Obt Servt
F. K. Henderson
Director

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of Treasury
Washn
D.C.

July 16. 8

Dear Sir.

I have yours of yesterday.—
The cost of Engraving the die was fixed by the Engraver after my declaration to him that I desired it fixed at actual expense to the Mint. Under the circumstances of the case i.e. the Medal being designed to encourage the production of Copper from Colorado I feel justified in reducing the charge to $100.— There can be no reduction in the price of the Medals as a careful examination shows that cost, $1 each to be the actual cost to the Mint for striking

Very Truly Yours,
H. R. Linderman
Director

Wm H. Stevens Esq

July 16 8

Sir:

I am instructed by the Director to notify you that your name has been stricken from the rolls of the Mint, in consequence of intemperance

Mr. Wm. L. Cooper.

Very Respy
A Thacher
Director Clerk

July 10 [illegible]

Gent.

Your communication of 15th inst has been received. The bill will be honored on presentation.

I have to request that you will inform me when the Sweeps are stored & ready for sampling

Very Resp'y
H. Rodenbough
Director

Messrs C. B. Lindeman & Co
50 Trinity Building
New York.

Please send by return mail the original bill for freight paid. The Dept requires all bills paid in duplicate

July 16 8

Sir:

I herewith transmit Bond & oath of Chambers C Davis, Melter & Refiner at Branch Mint Denver Col. as requested in yours of 11th inst

Hon Edward Jordan
Solicitor
Treas Dept
Washn
D.C.

Very Resp'y
Your Ob't Ser't
N Rolinderman
Director

July 19th 8

D.r Sir

In reply to yours of 2d inst
beg leave to state that the Basrelief
of the Secretary is not yet finished.

Very Respectfully
H. L. Luiderman
Director
per J. T. L.

T. of A. M Culloch Esq
Fort Wayne

July 18. 8

Messrs Baldwin & Differdorf.
Newark, N. J.
Gent.

I have recently received from the San Francisco Mint a lot of sweeps (which are now on storage in your City (New York) I desire you to make an offer for the same - You can take them on the Brandeth's Assay or draw samples. If you desire to do the latter You may call on Messrs G & R Lindeman No. 11 & 51 Trinity Building N.Y. who will authorize samples to be taken on your exhibiting this letter -

Very Respectfully,
J. H. R. Lindeman
Director of the Mint

July 18. 8

Messrs G. B. Linderman & Co.
No. 50 Sandy & Baldwin's Wf.

Gentlemen,

I presented the order on Sch. of Valley R.R. Co. endorsed in Yours of yesterday & received check for $875.00 the Am't thereof at Seventh. No. 397 James & Mechanics National Bank for $875.00 signed Charles E. Longstreth Treasurer, Please acknowledge receipt.

Very Respectfully,
G. B. Linderman

July 20, 8.

Vanwart McCoy & Co
72 Beekman St, N.Y.

What quantity of Nickel can You and Robbins supply us and the price for prompt delivery and thirty days hence. Answer.

H. K. Lindesmith
Director

July 21 8

Sir

I would respectfully call your attention to the following report made to me by Mr J Rob. Maiden Special Agent Treasy Dept. now in the Territory of Colorado "That the gold from this Territory is credited on the books of the Mint and Assay Office at N York as coming from Montana and Idaho.

If the case as reported is true, so far as it applies to this Mint, please have it corrected in the next Annual report.

Very Respy
H K Linderman
Director
per A Thacher
Dy Clk

C McKibbin Esq
Treasurer
U S Mint

July 21st 8

Sir: I would respectfully call your attention to the following fact reported to me by Mr. Rob Snowden Special Agent Treasury Dept now in the Territory of Colorado "That the gold from this Territory is credited on the books of the Mint and Assay Office at N York as coming from Montana and Idaho"

If the case as reported is true, so far as it applies to your office please have it corrected in your next annual report.

Very Respectfully
H. L. Linderman
Director
per A Thacher
Disbk

Col. J. Deming Esq
Supt U.S. Assay Office
New York

July 21. 8

Depot Quartermaster McCoy &c.
No 72 Beekman Street.

Sir Merchant,

I have yours of Yesterday. On examination we find that we have about four thousand supply of hotel on hand, which is larger than I supposed when I telegraphed You.

The Steamer of the 28th inst is expected home in a few days when the entire of supplies of hotel will be considered & You will hear from us again

Very Respectfully
H. Rodenbough
Asst

July 20. 8.

Messrs Magee & Co.

Gentlemen,

I contemplate
Sunday active operations early in
August for repairs & should be glad
if you would push the two coming
Boats so that they together with
the Six now building Boats
may be put up at that time —
I believe all that remains to be done
to the coming Boats is to bolt both
them. Please be cautious to keep
an ample margin on the Boats

Very Respectfully
H Rowland

Messrs

July 21 8

Sir:

I am in receipt of your communication of 20th inst. in relation to the purchase of Copper Cents for alloy, and inquiring the value thereof for that purpose. 100 pieces (somewhat worn) would weigh 2 1/3 lbs avd and pay at 21c a pound (Currency) 49c. This is about what they would realize as old Copper only. They cannot be used for alloy in our Coinage Operations.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
H. R. Linderman
Director

Hon. F. E. Spinner
Treas. U. S.
Washington
D. C.

July 22 8

Sir

In reply to your communication of 21st inst. concerning bag of Gold dust rec'd from Boise City Lot ack'd of John K Mongan I would state that no instruction have been received at this Office in relation to it.

Very Resp'y
H Klemmedworth
Director

C. R. Thayer Esq
U. S. Assay Office
New York

July 22 8

Sir

In reply to your communication of 21st inst. concerning bag of gold dust rec'd from Boise City Lot ack'd of John K. Morgan I would state that no instruction have been received at this office in relation to it.

Very Resp'y
H. Holmes
Surveyor

C. L. Thayer Esq
Surveyor Gen'l
Boise City

July 22. 8

Chambers & Davis Esq.
Solicitor of Register U.S. Pr. Land Office
(Denver Colo.)

Dear Sir,

I think it important that You start for Colorado on the receipt of Your Commission. The instructions in Your official Bond should be made to-morrow & sent to the Solicitor.

The resignation of the Ex-Governor having been accepted the official bond & oath & its duties devolve upon You & action as early as practicable

Very Respectfully
H. Reclinderman
Director

July 23. 8

A. M. T. Bongano.
Brandebhuit, New Orleans,
La,

Send me detailed statement
description of Machinery
and apparatus at Your
Branch.

H. R. Lindeman
Director

July 2d. 8.

Robert B. Swain
Superintendent Branch Mint
San Francisco Cal:

At what price can Nitric acid
be delivered at Carson City -
Which process for parting
would be preferable at that
point Answer by telegraph

W. Lindeman
Director.

July 23 r

Gen:

The Collector of Customs at New York has been advised to submit this case to you containing all the facts of the case.

I herewith transmit the Secretary's letter on the subject.

Very Respy
H R Linderman
Director

Hon Wm Pitt Fessenden
Secy Treasury
Washington D C

(Copy)

Treasury Department
July 18th 1868

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 15th instant to the Secretary requesting the admission free of duties and charges of 5 cases containing Six pairs Rolls and twenty five Bars of Steel marked F K 1793. S F K 1794 5. 1795 imported for the use of the Mints at Philadelphia and San Francisco in the "America" at the port of New York from Bremen

The Collector of Customs at that port has been instructed accordingly

I am very respectfully

(signed) F. C. Hartley.
Asst Secretary of the Treasury

H. R. Linderman. Esq
Director U. S. Mint
Philadelphia.
Pa.

July 23 8

Sir

I am in receipt of your communication of 20th inst requesting two or three set of Specimen 1 3/4 x 5 Inches. They will be forwarded to you as soon as they can be struck.

Very Respectfully
W. R. Linderman
Director

Hon. A. D. Sumner
Treasurer U. S.
Washington
D. C.

July 28 8

Sir:

In reply to yours of 20th inst. I would state that an order for 5th can be filled in about ten days after receipt.

You will have to apply to the Treasurer of Salt Springs, or any Bank Agent for Fractional Currency.

M Larrabee Esq
Clermont
Iowa.

Very Respy
H Richardson
Director

July 23 8

Sir:

I herewith return the official bond of Chambers C Davis as Melter & Refiner of the Branch Mint at Denver corrected as requested in yours of 19th inst.

Hon Edward Jordan
Solicitor of the Treas
Washington
D.C.

Very Respy
W Pinderman
Director

June 23d 8

Sir:

The usual monthly count and examination made at the close of business hours yesterday (22d inst) exhibited the following balances in the hands of the Treasurer of U.S. Mint

Gold	$ 401.7/14.26
Silver	49.916.80
Ordinary Fund	18.121.02
Copper	234.04/9.22
San Francisco Branch	13.189.14
Denver	.52
Charlotte	104.27
Total.	$ 436.14/4.24

Corresponding with the balances as stated on that officers books of account

Very Respectfully
Yr obt Svt
W. R. Linderman
Director

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of Treasury
Washington DC

July 23d 8

Sir:

At the close of business hours yesterday (22d inst) I made examination of the books and monies on hand in the office of the Assistant Treasurer U.S. at Philadelphia and found a balance of $9.158.260.05 which corresponds with his statement of account for that day.

Very Respectfully
Your obt svt
J. W. Lindesmith
Director

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of Treasury
Washington
D.C.

July 23, 8,

R. L. Boot Esq,
Mollet Refiner & Assayer
Dear Sir,

It is proposed to fit up the Branch Mint at Carson City for a Capacity of not more than $10,000,000 Coinage.

You will please state whether in your opinion it will be best under all the circumstances to part by the Retine acid process as now in use at the Mint and Branches or adopt the Sulphuric Acid process?

You will please also furnish a detailed Statement of the articles, apparatus &c required for the process. You may remark that of the Gold to be operated on is from 300 to 600 fine.

Your early attention is requested.

Very Respectfully
H. Linderman
Director.

July 21 1868

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed two sets of the nickel 1 3x5 Am (experimental) as requested in yours of 22 inst

Very Respy
Your Obt Svt
W Henderson
Engr

Hon F E Spinner
Ch U S Treasurer
Washington
DC

Logan O. Dec 24th 18

Sir.

In reply to yours of 22nd inst. I would state that the corn ordered by you were shipped by Adams Express to on 16th inst

Yours Truly
W. H. Lindaman
Director

First Nat Bank
Logan
O

HOLD

NAME OF SEARCHER	REQ. NO.
~~Knuth~~	~~NWC 82~~
~~13 vols~~	
Thompson	NGF-174
3 vols	

RELEASE

July 25th 8

Sir

In a recent act of Congress it is provided that hereafter all the available Profit of the U. S. Mint and Branches shall be covered into the Treasury, to be expended only by a Specific appropriation" This section appears to render a reference to the Charges in Bullion and the disposition of the funds arising therefrom necessary in order to learn whether the process referred to is not under existing laws and regulations, substantially complied with

There are two kinds of Charges made at the Mint and Branches on deposits of Gold and Silver for Coinage viz, the Coinage charge of the half of One per cent, which is a "Seignorage" or Profit payable into the Treasury of the United States; and the Charges imposed for refining, parting, Sweetening and for alloy, required by law to equal but not exceed the actual expenses of those operations and specifically appropriated for defraying the same.

The laws authorizing the charges on deposits are as follows: Section 18 General Mint law act of January 18. 1837 "the only subject of charge by the Mint to the depositor shall be the following, for refining when the bullion is below standard; for toughening when metals are contained in it which render it unfit for coinage; for copper used for alloy when the bullion is above standard for silver introduced into the alloy of Gold and for separating the Gold and Silver when these metals exist together in the bullion and that the rate of these charges shall be fixed from time to time by the Director with the concurrence of the Secretary of the Treasury; so as not to exceed, in their judgement, the actual expense to the Mint of the material and labor employed in each of the cases first mentioned; and that the amount received from these charges shall be accounted for, and applied to defraying the contingent expenses of the Mint."

Section 5th of the act of July 3 1852 establishing the Branch Mint San Francisco provides

that all the laws and parts of laws now in force for the regulation of the Mint of the United States be extended to the said Branch Mint.

Section 14 of the act of March 1st. 1853 establishing the Assay Office at New York provides that the same charges shall be made and demanded at the said Assay Office for refining parting &c. as are or shall be demanded at the Mint, and the amount accruing from the charges shall be accounted for and appropriated for defraying the contingent expenses of said Offices.

The charges imposed on gold and silver bullion deposited for coinage, other than the half per cent coinage charge, are by the laws referred to specifically appropriated for defraying the expenses of materials and labor employed in those operations and the funds arising therefrom are termed "available profit". If you concur in the view the funds arising from the refining and parting charges, will as heretofore be applied to meeting the expenses incurred in those operations.

The profits arising from the purchase & coinage of Silver bullion into Coins of the denomination

than the Silver dollar, being the difference between the price paid for the bullion and the rate at which it is issued by the Mint. less the cost of distributing such Coins, is by law transferable to the Treasury of the U. States. The same remark applies to the net profits of the Cent Coinage which are likewise from time to time paid into the Treasury of the U. States

The funds arising from the refining and parting Charges are paid quarterly into the Treasury of the U States to the Credit of the appropriation for the support of the Mint or Branch Mint at which the same are collected.

The law does not require this to be done. Formerly it was the practice to transfer these funds direct to the Ordinary expenditure Fund of the Mint, but a few years ago it was deemed expedient to have the Amounts carried quarterly to the Credit of the respective appropriations. in order that the accounting Officers of the Treasury might have a proper supervision over all the receipts and disbursements of the Mint and Branches

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Upon due consideration I find that we are already doing just what the law requires that is, the "Profits" of the Mint and Branches are from time to time paid or covered into the U. S. Treasury and are not subsequently drawn out, ~~which~~ the charges specifically appropriated to defray certain expenses are applied accordingly.

With great Respect
Your Friend & Obt Servt
H. R. Linderman
Director of the Mint

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of the Treasury
Washington
D. C.

July 25. 8

Hon Hugh McCulloch,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir,

The estimate of the Machinery, apparatus, &c required for fitting up the Branch Mint at Carson City, Nevada, requested in Your favor of the 22nd inst are being prepared, and will be transmitted to You early in the coming week.

With great Respect,
Your obedient Servant,
A Kolmodenan
Director

July 28. 8

Dear Sir,

I have yours of 14th inst. & send you today by Adams Express several pamphlets containing information in relation to the Mint &c

Respectfully Yours
J. R. Henderson
Director of the Mint

David St. Camp Esq
Ed. Am. Year Book
Hartford
Conn.

July 28. 8

Messrs H. Lindenmeyer No.
No. 58 Trinity Buildings
N.Y.

Gentlemen

You will please permit the bearer Longwan Tong to draw samples of the bal.ce Bullion Mint Deposits now on storage in your City to-day.

Respectfully Yours,
H Lindenmeyer
Director.

Messrs Longwan Tong,
Agent. Above find order to draw samples of deposits per your request with Thacher - Also find enclosed copy of Branch Mint Assay Statement of Deposits.

Respectfully Yours
H Lindenmeyer
Director

July 28, 8

Sir,

In compliance with your request I have the honor to submit the following Estimate of Machinery Apparatus &c required for a Coinage of Ten Millions at Carson City, Nevada, viz:

Details Estimate J. R. Eckfeldt Assayer U. S. Mint of Apparatus fixtures &c required for Assay Dept.	$ 1,190
Details Estimate of Henry Grosman, Balance Weights &c	3,661
Details Estimate Morgan & Orr Manufacturers of Coin Machinery	45,000
" " Prof Bob H. Weller Refiner for Refinery &c	16,192
	$ 66,043
To which add for freight & Incidentals Packing of Machinery &c	10,000
	$ 76,043

I enclose report of Dr Bonzano in relation to the Machinery &c at Branch Mint at New Orleans, from which it would appear that a portion of the Machinery, Apparatus & fixtures at New Orleans could be made available for the Branch at Carson City. We cannot however safely determine how far that portion of the Machinery &c is available, without first sending

a competent Machinist from the Mint (that?)
to measure and Examine the same, and attend
to that to this point any Machinery, apparatus &c
adapted for Mint purposes, and not required
at New Orleans for the future Coinage of Gold.
The Machinery no doubt requires to be repaired
& cleaned & any cost be put in shape for preservation.

If the Coining Presses, Milling Machines,
Hydraulic Press, &c can be withdrawn from New
Orleans it will be an important saving of
expense. I have therefor to request that You
will authorize me to send an experienced
Machinist from the Mint to New Orleans for
the purpose of a thorough inspection & measurement
and Inventory of all the Machinery, apparatus
fixtures & tools, at that Branch Mint. This
information is necessary to enable me to decide
what portion of the same can be transferred
to the Br. Mint at Carson City.

There should be one first class Coining
Press sent to Carson for the Coinage of Double Eagle

The large Press at N.O. was made in this City some twenty four years ago under the direction of the Tyler, an Officer of the U.S. Mint with George Ellicott of this Mint (now deceased) part of the work being done at one Shop, part at the other. The cost footed up about $15,000 - Should both be used Press.

The Essence of Rose Bowl is for refining by Nitric Acid. If as per the Examination allowed enclosed we adopt the Sulphuric Acid process, the cost of Apparatus &c for that process will be about the same as the present estimate.

All of which is respectfully submitted

Your Obt. Servt.

J. Kohlmann

Assayer of the Mint

Hon Hugh McCulloch

Secretary of the Treasury

Washington

D.C.

July 31 1848

Sir

Your letter dated 28th inst is received

I have this day returned ~~rec~~ (by Adams Express) your box and contents, as the Mint receives only such coins as are designated in enclosed circular

Yours Respectfully
R. Patterson
Director
per A. Mackey
Asst Clerk

E. P. Rockwell
Alba
Granford Co
Pa

July 30 1860

Sir:

I am in receipt of yours communicating of 27th inst in relation to a large balance made by Troemner.

If any arrangement can be made for its use here I will advise you

Very Respy
H. R. Linderman
Director
per A. L. B.

Col. T. Dunning Esq
Supt U.S. Assay Office
New York

July 21 &

Sir:

In reply to your communication received this day I would state that if you enclose a specimen with $5 to pay Mint charges to the Assayer of the Mint he will return you a certificate of Assay

Very Respy
H. K. Leberman
Director
per A. Thacher
Asst Clerk

D. A. Pollard Esq
Providence
R. I.

July 21 : 8

Sir.

Your communication of 9th inst enclosing letter of G. D. Fox Esq and photographs has been received.

I herewith enclose as requested photographs of Medal presented to Com Preble for Tripoli.

No copy of Medal to Capt John Stewart for Stony Point in the Mint Cabinet; neither is the reverse of Major Lee for Paulus Hook

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of Treasury
Washington
D.C.

Very Respy
Yr obt Servt
H. D. Linderman
Director
per Thacher
Disbg Clk

The letter of Mr Fox & photographs are herewith returned.

July 31. 8.

Mr Samuel James,
Iron Machine Shop,
New Orleans.

Dear Sir,

Pursuant to authority from the Secretary of the Treasury I have detailed You for an examination of the Machinery, apparatus & fixtures at the Branch Mint at New Orleans. You will therefore make Your arrangements for an early visit to that City & You on arrival there You will call on Dr. M. F. Bonzano, Assistant in charge, and after stating the object of Your visit, proceed to examine in detail all the Machinery & apparatus & forward to the Asst. by Ocean Steamer, all Machinery & apparatus adapted for Mint purposes, and which will not be required hereafter for the Coinage of Nickel at New Orleans. You are requested to avail Yourself of the aid of Dr. Bonzano, in performing the duties assigned You.

Sir, The intention of the Department is to keep
at the new Branch Mint at Carson City,
a certain collection of the Machinery &
apparatus & Specie that is required for Assay &
Coinage purposes) as suitable, or can be made
so by reasonable repairs, for Mint purposes,
and You will keep this in view in drawing
up a list of articles to ship.

It is suggested that You examine
prior to Your departure, a plan of the new
Branch Mint, in the possession of Mason
Dr Ms, & that You also confer freely with
the Melter & Refiner of the Mint, as to
Articles required for that Department
at Carson.

You will be allowed from the
time of departure from Denver five Dollars
per diem for all the travelling Expenses,

Very Respectfully Your
W. Kelly Dennison
Denver

July 30. 8

Dr. M. F. Bonzano
Steward Asst Treasury Department
In charge Branch Mint, New Orleans,
Sir,

Pursuant to authority from the Secretary of the Treasury. I have detailed Mr. Sam[l] James. Foreman of the Machine Shop. to proceed to Your City and make an examination of all the Machinery, Apparatus & fixtures at Your Branch, and forward to this City, all Machinery and apparatus adapted for Mint purposes, and which will not be required hereafter for the Coinage of Gold at New Orleans. I have to request that You will afford Mr James every facility in Your power and give him the aid of such Suggestions as may occur to You. Your long experience in the Mint Service will be of Service to Mr James in the performance of the duties assigned him. With great Respect

H. R. Linderman
Director

July 21 P

Sir:

Please find enclosed B/L for one Case, containing two pairs Hardened Rolls shipped per Steamer "Arizona."

We were furnished the Mexican Proprietor, Agent for Fried Knapp Essen Brassert, at a cost of $1.50. Sold per pair. The amount $2.200 sold will be deducted from proceeds of sales now on hand.

Yours Resp'y

H Kohnideman

Director

Robt B Swan Esq
Ship Agt Pac Mail
San Francisco
Cal.

July 21 /

Gent:

I have to request that you will furnish, in lieu of bill enclosed in yours of 25th bills in duplicate as follows.

Supt of the United States Mint Philadelphia Pa for Coin.

U S Branch Mint San Francisco Cal for Coin.

On receipt of same from you receipted the amount will be transmitted to you.

Yours Respectfully

Jno Ross Browne Jr

P O Box 2092

New York

Jno Ross Browne

Director

Please send a duplicate bill of Lading for coin shipped to San Francisco Cal.

July 31. 8

Sir,

I have yours of the 29th inst. authorizing me to send an experienced Machinist to New Orleans, to examine Machinery &c ordered. I have detailed Mr James, Foreman of the Machine Shop, who has had several years experience in repairing & working the Coining & Milling Machinery, for that duty. He will leave for New Orleans in the early part of next week.

I have the honor to be, With great Respect Your Obt. Servant

J. H. Reinderman

Director

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of Treasury
Washington
D.C.

May 1. 8

J. P. Hartley Esq.
Asst. Sec. Treasury,
Sir.

I have yours of yesterday
the best disposition that can be made of the
Foreign Coins reported to in the letter of
the Asst. Treasurer at New Orleans, is to forward
them to this Mint for Recoinage. They
will produce in U.S. Coin as follows:

Mexican Doubloons about	$15.50	per Gross deduction
Mexican Dollars	1.06	
Mexican Half Dollars	1.05	
English Sovereigns	4.82	
French 20 Francs	3.83	

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servant
W. Kneass
Assistant

August 1st

First Auditor

Forty nine thou-
sand eight hundred
Dollars &c

10.900.00 X
31.250.00
6.250.00
150.00
1.250.00
49.800.00

Hugh McCulloch Secretary

X This amt includes one years increase back salary for four Clerks

Aug 3 8

Sir

Your communication of 1st inst in relation to $500 5s Cts received by you has been received.

On the 29th ult the Manufacturers National Bank of this city deposited with the Treasurer U S Mint $500, that amount in 5s Cts to be shipped to your Bank. On the 30th the Cts were forwarded which I presume is the lot referred to in yours of 1st inst.

Very Respy

First Nat'l Bank
Allentown
Pa

W Kneass
Assist Director

Since writing the above the Treas notifies me that he has received your remittance of $500 dated July 21st The Cts could be shipped to morrow.

John Jay Esq

Aug 3d 8

Dear Sir.

The Inclosed Letter arrived
the Sept. at San Francisco. as to the loss of Sulphuric
Nitric acid at Canton which passage caused
the last to stop. Late on Saturday evening I
received his reply a copy of which is enclosed
that you may attach it to the papers now
at the Department on the subject for convenient
reference.

If it is designed to Commodore
at Nagasaki at any future time the
largest Empire likely required at it
doubtful whether the next Empire would be
of sufficient force for a year even if it could
be spared. It might therefore be that
the Empire be made sufficiently strong that
it may answer in time.

I add Your Excellency's Estimate of the
probable amount of Specie in the domestic Canton.
I have always understood the Annual production of

[illegible] in favour of the state for $20,000,000 one
thousand pounds is good. Richmond is hopeful
of the passage of the State Banks
at their next session. Mr Jefferson is
through Philadelphia, Jackson & Jefferson to the Legislature
today at N.J. His reception will
both I do not know. That the Bank
interested in the Legislature. Most of the
Branch Bank is established much of
the Bullion they sold to buy out it.
On account of the Exchange favourable
by the payment in advance of Bank,
the charge of 4% per cent charged by
the Bank to be a Bullion to N.J. when
it was sold. You can get a location
to form a court for general use to the
benefit of the Corporations.

I am told that in the
House of Representatives about
it was cost about $20,000 for
part the Hon. Mr Silver proposed to
[illegible] the part of [illegible]
[illegible] with the [illegible]
[illegible] to the Branch Bank
[illegible] part of cost & all debts
[illegible] against the Corporation.

Yours truly,
H. Robinson

Mr James Fraser of Mechanicsburg
for Mr Thomas Johnson.

San Francisco Cal
July 30th 1868

To A. R. Seiderman
Director Mint.
Phila

Cost of freight of nitric acid about nine (9) cents gold, cost of acid delivered in Carson City about twenty (20) cents a pound gold & Sulphuric acid for parting would be prepara-ble. But I understand that the building is not and cannot be adapted to the process

Signed R. B. Swain
Supt

May 5. 8.

Hon Hugh McCulloch,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Sir.

I learn that Mr Wharton has gone to Washington to confer with You in relation to the extent of injury of his Nickel Works which were recently damaged by fire. I have no hesitation in stating that the interests of the Government require that Mr Whartons Works should be kept in operation. If he ceases the manufacture of Nickel the Mint will have to depend on foreign production. This ought not to be if Mr Wharton is willing to supply us at a reasonable price. The selling price for Nickel prior to the establishment of Mr Whartons Refinery, was about $1.50 per pound. Recently it sold down to about $1.22 — A few days after the destruction of Mr Wharts works I telegraphed to Vanaut McCloy & Co asking the rate at which they

wood supply abattoir. The average was $1.30 per pound. Yesterday they offered it at $1.25

Very Respectfully
H. R. Lindeman
Director

Aug 8th 1

Sir

Your communication of yesterday
has been received. The case referred to
were shipped by Adams Express Co.
on the 31st ult. and must have been
received by Messrs Coyert & Co at this date.

National Bank
of the Republic
New York

Very Respy
D. Zinderman
Inspector
per Attached
Clerk

Aug 10 8

Sir:

I herewith transmit Requisition of Col. W. Lane Sup't of the U.S. Branch Mint, Denver, Col. for $3.250 with my approval.

Hon
Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of Treasury
Washington
D.C.

Very Resp'y
H. R. Linderman
Director

Aug 10 8

Cent.

I have this day shipped to your address by Adams Express Co $7.262 44/100 Gold Coin, in payment of bill rendered some days since for Rolls & die Stub. Please acknowledge receipt

Yours Truly
H. Linderman
Director
per Thacher
Dir & Sec

Mr. Thos Prospect Jon
Box 2827
New York

Aug 11th 8

Sir:

The bid for Branch Mint Sweeps contained in yours of 22d ult is accepted as per the following statement.

129 Bbls Br Mint Sweeps said to contain
359.219 oz Stand Gold - $6.63.14
120.43 " " Silver 1.51 0.53
$195.67
Less Charges for Smelting 55.140 lbs 24 81.67
@ 4 1/2¢ per lb $5.712.00

On receipt of $5.712 in gold Am I will transmit to you an order for the sweeps.

Edw'd Balbach Jr Esq Newark N.J.

Very Respy
W. R. Linderman
Director

Aug 13. 8.

Robt. B. Swain Esq,
Supt. Branch Mint,
San Francisco,
Sir,

The following is a law passed at the last session of Congress viz "That hereafter all the "Available profits" of the Mints States Mint and Branches shall be covered into the Treasury, to be expended only by a specific appropriation". In a communication to the Department on this subject I have taken the ground that a charge levied to defray expenses for parting &c is not a "Profit" & that therefore the fund arising from the parting charge does not come within the scope of the section above referred to. Under the decision of the Department as made known in transfers of parting charge to the appropriation account shall be made. The funds arising from this source will be held in hand to be covered into

the Treasury. shows the Department that the law requires it to be done,

Very Respectfully

H. D. Lindsay

Senator

Aug. 13th 8

Sir:

The following is a law passed at the recent session of Congress viz "That hereafter all the "available profits" of the United States Mint and Branches shall be covered into the Treasury to be expended only by a specific appropriation." In a communication to the department on this subject I have taken the ground that a charge levied to defray expences for parting &c is not a "profit" and that therefore the fund arising from the parting charge does not come within the scope of the section above referred to. Until the decision of the department is made known no transfers of parting charge to the appropriation account will be made. The funds arising from this source will be held in hand to be covered into the Treasury, should the Department decide that the law requires it to be done.

Very Respy

H. R. Linderman

Director

Geo. F. Dunning Esq
Supt U.S. Assay Office
New York

Aug 13 8

Dear Sir:

Can I trouble you to send me a transcript of the "accounts" appropriation of the Branch Mint Denver Col. as exhibited on the books of the Department.

Yours Respy

D. H. Chamberlain

Treasr

Hon Jay Knox Esq

Wash'n

D.C.

Aug 13 8

Sir.

The Mint received yesterday this Hon Wm Millward late Director your check for $500 receipt of which was acknowledged same day. The coin will be forwarded in a few days

First Nat'l Bank
Gloucester
Mass

Very Respy
H L Linderman
Director
per Thacher
Disbursing Clk

Aug 7. 8

Sir.

I transmit herewith for your information the report of Mr James, Foreman of the Machine Shop, in relation to the condition of the Machinery, apparatus &c, at the Branch Mint, New Orleans, a copy of my instructions to Mr James, is also enclosed.

It appears that the Hydraulic Press is the only piece of machinery allotted for use at Carson City.

We can spare from this institution one Coining Press suitable for Coining of Silver, Half dollars (less denomination) and I am of opinion that one of the old style Screw Presses lately taken down here can be repaired & made suitable for operations at Carson. There is at the Assay Office here one weighing balance no longer required there, which might be transported to Carson.

Hon Hugh McCulloch, Secretary of the Treasury

With great Respect Your Most Obt Servant J. R. Snowden Director

Copy.

Branch Mint
New Orleans August 12th

Dr. A. L. Lindsman
Coiner U. S. Mint

Dear Sir

In examinating the machinery at this place, I find that with the exception of the Millhauler press belonging to the Melters & Refiners Department, there is no piece of machinery that can be advantageously removed for use in the Coiners Department

The presses in the Coiners Department are four in number, two only are adapted for coinage of Dimes, the remaining two being too small for any Coin above the Dime they are about the size of the 2 presses in the Philada Mint

They are all of the old pattern two having the springs under the triangle, or holding the

the triangle centre, nuts and bars in position while the bridles instead of going through the bush nuts on springs on the inside of them.

The Rolls in number one pair, two pair together with the sinking rolls having been removed during the war

Five pair remaining room entirely too much space for the room allowed in the Carson City Mint, and are so arranged that one pair cannot be taken away without moving the rest. As they are arranged two pair Coupled together take in in length 22 ft while the room in the Carson City Mint is only 23-1/2 x 0/12 ft

The Cutting presses are the same as now in use in Philad.a and about in the same Condition. I cannot recommend them untried

The drawbenches are of the old Wooden pattern, and cover too much ground for Carson City, they each take in 14 x 6, ft. There are two of them.

6

The Assay Department during the war was completely gutted of every thing belonging to it. The scales belonging to the Assayer were also destroyed.

There is nothing in the Melter & Refiners Department worth moving save the hydraulic press and ingot moulds, new moulds & these could be gotten in Portland for the cost & transportation.

The machinery having been gotten up for this place, which in dimension is twice that of the U. City Mint, I can recommend no alteration of the removal of nothing save the hydraulic press.

It seems to me that in the fall the press it would be better to ship from here direct to Carson City as it needs no repairs.

Please to let me know any further direction you may have.

Respectfully

"signed" Sam'l James

"Copy"

July 31st 1868

Mr Samuel James
Superintendent Machine Shop

Dear Sir

Pursuant to authority from the Secretary of the Treasury, I have detailed you for an examination of the machinery, apparatus & fixtures at the Branch Mint New Orleans.

You will therefore make your arrangements for an early visit to that City, On your arrival there you will call on Dr M. F. Bonzano agent in charge, and after stating the object of your visit, proceed to examine in detail all the Machinery & Apparatus & forward to Philadelphia by Ocean Steamer, all Machinery & Apparatus adapted for Mint purposes, and which will not be required hereafter for the Coinage of Nickel in New Orleans.

You are requested to avail yourself of the aid of Dr Bowman in performing the duties assigned you, It is the intention of the Department to transfer to the new Branch Mint at Carson City Nevada, whatsoever portion of the machinery & Apparatus (except that required for Nickel Coinage hereafter) is suitable or can be made so by reasonable repairs for Mint purposes, and you will keep this in view in deciding on what articles to ship

It is suggested that you examine prior to your departure a plan of the Nevada Branch Mint in the possession of Morgan Orr & Co and you also confer freely with the Melter & Refiner of this Mint as to articles required for that Department at Carson

You will be allowed from the time of departure & return five Dollars per diem & reasonable boarding expenses.

Very Respectfully Yours
"Signed" A. R. Lindeman
Director

Aug 17 8

Sir

Your communication relating to the condition of the Machinery &c at the Branch Mint New Orleans and reporting but one piece adapted for removal to the Branch at Carson City has been received

The hydraulic press referred to you will have properly packed and shipped to this Mint. When shipped and your examination is completed you will report to this office -

Very Respy
A. L. Linderman
Director

Jas. James Esq
U.S. Br Mint
New Orleans
La.

Aug 15 [illegible]

Sir

Your communication of 15th inst
is received and in reply to your in-
-quiry relating to the payment for Coin
I would state that the Gold would be
subject to a coinage charge, and in
consequence of that fact I would pre-
-fer the payment to be made in gold Coin.

Very Respy
H. Lindenmeier
Director

E. Falbach Esq
Newark
N. J.

Aug 18. 8.

Hon Hugh McCulloch,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Sir.
The Treasurer
has this day, pursuant to my warrant,
transferred to the Treasury of the U. States,
the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars
on account of Profits realized in the Coinage
of one & two cent bronze & three cent nickel
copper pieces -

Very Respectfully,
Your Ob. Servant
H. R. Linderman
Director

Aug 18. 8.

Messrs Savage & Stewart,
Hartford Chamical Works, Hart[d]:

Gentlemen

Your communication of
Yesterday requesting for reasons therein stated,
viz the advance in the price of Red Oxide & the
Vermilion in Gold, and advance in the price
of Aqua Fortis from 8 7/8[ct] to 9 3/4[ct] & Nitric acid from 10[ct] to 12 cts per pound
has been heard & considered & believing Your
request a reasonable one under the circumstances
the advance above stated is allowed until
further notice or a decline in the price of
Nitrate of Soda, when a corresponding reduction
in the price of acids will be made,

Very Respectfully
H. Robinson
Treasurer

Aug 18. 8.

Hon Hugh McCulloch,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Sir,

In order to keep this institution in a condition to meet promptly the heavy and continued demand for the Nickel copper and Bronze Coins, it will be necessary to suspend active operations for ten days from the 22nd inst. During the suspension it is intended that our Machinists shall carefully examine the Machinery and make such repairs as may be found necessary and place everything in efficient order. The suspension will also enable us to ~~clean~~ give our employees a few days rest, which they greatly need in consequence of their having worked overtime throughout the heated term. - since 1st July - We have a sufficient supply of coin on hand to meet any probable demand. I propose, therefore, with the approval of the department, to suspend active operations in the department when the men have worked overtime from the 22nd inst to the 1st proximo.

With great respect,
Your obt Servant,
A. Loudeman
Director.

Aug 19 1

Sir:

I have the to transmit statement of Appropriations on account of your Bureau as required by the 4th Section of the Act

Gen'l D. Lane
Supt Ind Affairs
Kansas

Geo W Manypenny
Com Ind Affairs

Approved
H. Lindsman
Secretary

Recorded
Geo W Manypenny
Com Ind Affairs

Aug 20 8

Gent:

The enclosed envelope was received at the Mint this morning from the Post Office without any postal note. It has the appearance of having been mailed without sealing.

W. J. Houghton McCord & Co
Bankers
Milwaukee.

Very Resp'y
H. L. Linderman
Director
per Thacher
Disb'g Clk.

Aug 20. 8.

Mr Charles G. Hackett
New Bloomfield
Perry Co Pa

Dear Sir,

I have delayed until this time an answer to Your letter in the hope that I might be able to find a place for You but as yet no vacancy has occurred. I will bear Your application in mind should a vacancy occur that will suit You. I shall be glad to appoint You.

Very Respectfully
H. Van Dorman
Penda

Aug 21. 8.

Dear Sir,

In reply to Your favor of yesterday I have to state that there was a Coinage of Cents in the Year 1804 but none in 1815, the Mint being unable to procure any copper during the latter Year.

I will endeavor to obtain a cent of 1804 and send it to You.

Parties have claimed to have cent of 1815 in their possession but the specimens were found on close examination to be of the Coinage of 1813, the figure (three) having been altered so as to resemble a five (5). The Mint has never yet been able to procure a genuine cent of 1815 & no record of any Coinage of Cent pieces in that Year appears upon the Books of the institution.

Very Respectfully Your Obt Servt
F. R. Lemmon
Director

Hon. T. E. Spinner,
Treasurer U. States,
Washington D.C.

Aug 21. 8

Prof J. E. Booth.

Persons residing in the vicinity of the Mint Complain of the behavior of the men employed in the Cent Melting Department. It appears that they are in the habit of violating sec 7. of the General Regulations. I have to request that You will require from the Foreman a Report on this Subject, in order that such of the employés as are in the habit of disregarding the Regulations may be discovered. Your prompt attention is requested as I am determined that the Regulations prescribed for the conduct of persons employed at the Mint shall be enforced

Respectfully
A. R. Boudinot
Director

Aug 20 65

Sir:

I herewith transmit copy of my communication of 18th inst. relating to a suspension of operations for ten days and requesting your approval of same as requested in your telegram received this day.

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of Treasury
Washington
D.C.

Very Truly
Yr. Ob. Svt.
H. L. Linderman
Examiner
for Mint
Phila.

Aug 22 8

Sir

In answer to your letter of 10th inst noted state that the accompanying specimen forwarded to this Mint for analysis is metallic Antimony not an ore, but fused metal.

Yours &c
H L Linderman
Director
per J. P. 2.

J. M. McGirk
Lexington
Mo

Aug. 24 8

Sir.

The check referred to in yours of 20th inst for $1.000 in payment of same amount of Coms has not been received at this office.

On receipt of duplicate your order shall have prompt attention.

Very Respy
H. F. Lindeman
Director
per A.L.

Alton Nat'l Bank
Alton
Ills

Aug 25 1

Sir

Your remittance of $5,92 gold Coin
in payment of 129 Bbls Branch Mint Drafts
has been received.

I have instructed Mess
G D Lindeman & Co No 50 Trinity Building
New York to deliver the same to you.

Ed Balbach & Son
Newark
N J

Very Respy
[signature]
Director

Aug 26, 8.

Messrs. B. Lindeman & Co
No. 50 Trinity Building
N.Y.

You will
please deliver to Edward
Babbach of Newark N.J. One
Hundred & Twenty-two (122) Bbls
of Branch Mail Scrap. on storage
at Thomas Trustons 269 South
Street.- Please pay storage Bills
& send forward Same to me
for settlement. Oblige

Very Respectfully Yours
J. F. Robinson
Senator

Aug 25th 6

Sir:

I duly received your telegram and letter of the 22 inst authorizing the temporary suspension of active operations for repairs &c. Our machinists are busily engaged in overhauling and repairing machinery &c and in few days we shall be able to resume active operation. Meanwhile we continue the receipt, Assay and payment of gold and silver deposits and have about $6,000 in small coins to meet the demand for change.

I notice your remark about the machinery for the Carson City Mint to say that there shall be no delay in the preparation and shipment of the Machinery Apparatus, fixtures, &c.

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of Treasury
Washington
D.C.

Very Respy
Your Obt Svt
A. Richardson
Director

Aug 28, 8.

Dear Sir,

I have Yours of 25th. inst. & am pleased to learn that Your health is improving.

You have of a time efforts on the 3rd inst. I would extend it 30 days longer was it not that I have appointed a time to receive the Secretaries report & then to act upon it. A few days however will make no difference & if You report by the 10th of Sept. it will be in time.

Very Respectfully

Wm H Patterson Esq
Saginaw Town

W Woodward
Sec'y.

Aug 26. 8.

A. B. Mullett Esq.
Supervising Architect.
Treas. Dept.

Dear Sir.

Please furnish me with general plan of the Basement of Clarendon Bldg, Bank Print, showing arches in the cellar. This is required to enable us to arrange the shafting for driving Machinery. Other than Fuel Gases.

Yours Respectfully
A. Robertson
Assistant

Aug 26 8.

Hon Hugh McCulloch,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Dear Sir,

I find on examining the
corrections on the report that I have not been
distinctly authorized to produce which the
Chairman, at first to for the Bank
Note Examination Committee.

The examination of the claims
resulting in finding but one form of Mackay
Note could be made available for issue by
Dist. Gen. as the Alexandria Notes. The
report of the Examiners of the Marshal's
Office of this Dist, was transmitted to the
Department on the 7th inst.

I now desire your authorization
to proceed on the issue of the Notes. The
Articles enumerated in the Estimate transmitted
by you on the 25th ult. & yet as final articles
to be used for the Dist including the

Hydraulic Power for the Mint. The Bracken Ore for reducing will have to be sent from the Mint as it cannot be got ready in that time, not being manufactured in this country. A few other articles can be transported from the Mint, but as almost all they will consume may be procured at Carson & San Juan.

I suggest that the articles as fast as they can be got ready shall be shipped to San Francisco, in charge of John Mr. Eckfeldt, Coiner, and that Mr. Machinery implements & be put up at the Carson Branch under his supervision. He is thoroughly competent to put up Mint Machinery, and the work cannot be safely entrusted to any one who has not had thorough experience in that line. He could also see the expense of sending some Machinist from here to Nevada, the Machinery on arriving at San Francisco should be forwarded immediately thereon by one the assistance of Mr. Eckfeldt. On receiving the authority herein

requested I will give my personal attention
to the matter so that you desire in relation
to the preparation and shipment of the
Machinery &c is complied with.

With great Respect,
Your Friend & Obt. Servt.
H Rohrdenmacher
Director

Aug 26 [illegible]

Sir:

At the close of business hours yesterday (25th inst.) I made examination of the books and monies on hand in the office of the Assistant Treasurer U.S. at Philadelphia and found a balance of $7.317.441.86 which corresponds with his statement of account for that day.

In the above the following was counted as cash viz.

Certificate of Temporary Loan $1.220.00

Very Respy
Your Obt Svt
H. Linderman
Director

Hon
Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of Treasury
Washington
D.C.

Aug. 26 8

Sir,

The usual monthly count and examination made at the close of business hours yesterday (25th inst.) exhibited the following balances in the hands of the Treasurer of the U. S. Mint.

Gold	$ 2.9+3.36
Silver	7 8.499.20
Ordinary Fund	52.173.23
Copper	106.113.64
San Francisco Branch	10.8 9.14
Denver	52
Charlotte	104.24
	9 5.723.36

Corresponding with the balances as stated on that officers books of account

Hon
Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of Treasury
Washington D.C.

Very Respy.
Your Obt Svt
H. Linderman
Director

Aug 24 [illegible]

Sir

Referring to my communication of 24th inst requesting you to forward a duplicate check for $10.00 I would state that the original draft was this day discovered having been accidentally mislaid.

The coin will be shipped to day.

Very Respy
H Blankenmeyer
Director

Alton National Bank
Alton
Ills

Sir:

Aug. 28th 8

Before the close of the last quarter I directed the usual annual settlement of the accounts of the Melter & Refiner and Chief Coiner to be made and that the settlement by those officers should be simultaneous. The result of the Melter & Refiners settlement exhibited a surplus of Gold 3.794.55

" " Silver 46.46 $3.841.01

which amount I caused to be transferred to "Profit & Loss" account the balance to the credit of which is from time to time transferred to the U.S. Treasury.

The usual allowance for gain remaining in the flux &c. having been made to depositors the surplus or gain is no doubt due to the fact that in former years care was not taken to gather up the sweeps from the flues & covers. In 1866 the wastage was unusually large, about 800 ounces Gold & 269 ounces Silver and nearly exceeding the limit allowed by law. In 1867 the

Wastage was only oz 1/48, one ounce and forty-eight hundredths.

The Chief Coiner's settlement exhibited a small Wastage, calling for no special remark.

Very Respy
Your Obt Servt

H. R. Linderman
Director

Hon
Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of Treasury
Washington
D.C.

August 26th 8.

Burnett Drake & Co.
corner State Street & Merchants Row.
Boston, Mass,

Dust

Received from You per Adams Express bottle
contains only about half Gold balance base
metal. —

H Robinson
Director of the Mint

Aug 25th 8.

Messrs Burnett Drake & Co
Bankers & Brokers,
Corner State St. & Merchants Row Boston
Mass

Gentlemen,

I telegraphed You to day that the package of dust received per Adams Express was only half sold, balance base metal. I did this that You might have the earliest possible information to protect Yourselves in case You had purchased it for ordinary fine dust.

It had a suspicious look & my attention being called to it I directed one ounce to be taken for assay, which was immediately made. The result confirmed our suspicions. The Express Co. will hold the package subject to Your instructions. It was thought best not to make a return of the deposit until You were advised of its character. It is what is known as "manufactured dust".

Very Respectfully
H. Robinson
Treasurer.

T/D

Aug 29 8

Samuel Jame
U S Branch Mint
New Orleans La

You will report for duty immediately. Let Dr Bonzano ship Hydraulic Press by steamer to Philadelphia.

W R Linderman
Director

Aug 21 8

Sir:

I am in receipt of yours of 20th inst enclosing D/t #1 and for 5 & Com. also duplicate D/t for same amt in lieu of one reported as not having been received by me, but some days after discovered mis-laid. The coin for the latter were shipped you on 21st inst. The coin for your remittance received this day will be forwarded in a few days.

Herewith return duplicate D/t.

Very Respy.

H. R. Henderson

Director

Alton Nat'l Bank
Alton
Ills

Aug 31. 8.

Prof A. A. Bache LL.D
& Isaac Cassin Esq
Engineers
Agents.

Please examine into the cause of the explosion this morning & make a written report, & with such suggestions as will guard against similar accidents in future. Your immediate attention is desired.

Respectfully
W. Rockwell Newman
Secretary

4367

Aug 31, 8.

Until the return of the Chief Courier, his Vault accounts to be kept in the joint custody of the Cashier & the Book-keeper, who will see that the Vault are carefully locked & the room kept clear of all persons not having business in that department.

W. K. Sanderson
Director.

The Cashier will read this order to the Cashier & the Book-keeper & bear it with the former

W K S

Aug 31, 8,

Col. Wm. G. Moore
Private Secretary of the President
Dear Sir,

I acknowledge the reference to this office by the President of the United States, with his favorable endorsement, of the application of Dr Rollins Patten in behalf of Miss Emma Parr, there to request that you will inform the President, that Miss Parr has been assigned to duty at the Arsenal.

With great Respect,
Very Truly Your Friend
H. R. Lindenmuller
Assistant

Aug 31st 8

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of the Treasury
Sir

I regret to report a serious accident which occurred at the Mint at a little before nine o'clock this morning from a gas-explosion in the Chief Coiners vault, resulting in the severe injury of Mr M. V. Davis, Coiners assistant, Andrew Stief Asst Coiner and Mr Horner Gas Fitter, the latter probably fatally injured. Mr Davis, on entering the room at 8 o'clock A.M. found indications of escaping gas and at once unlocked and opened the door of the vault and sent for the gas fitter who in the course of half an hour came in, after entering the vault called for a match which was handed to him by Mr Davis. The explosion immediately followed and was very severe, destroying the office furniture and the window sash of the Room.

I caused the building to be closed immediately and took proper precautions to guard against any loss of bullion or money during the confusion which naturally followed. An examination made since the accident

by an expert shows that there was no leakage or defect whatever in the gas-pipe or fixtures and the accident must have been the result of not turning off the gas at the close of business on Saturday.

Mr Daws who had charge of the vault is one of the most faithful and reliable men in the Mint and Mr Hemes was permanently employed at the Mint on account of his skill as a Gas Fitter and his reliable character. The accident appears to have been the result of inconsiderately lighting a match in the vault before sufficient time had elapsed for ventilation. I enclose Report of Professor Booth (Melter and Refiner) and J. S. Cassin (Chief Engineer) who, at my request examined the vault &c. The remedy recommended will be adopted immediately.

Very Respectfully
Your Most Obt Svt
A. R. Linderman
Director

Copy

U. S. Mint
Augst 31. 1868

Dr. H. R. Linderman
Director U. S. Mint
Dear Sir

The undersigned have examined the C. C. Vaults when the explosion occured and here with offer their opinion, that it was caused by the escape of City gas into the Vaults, either from a leakage in the pipe or from neglect in turning off the gas at night.

Upon opening the door in the morning and leaving it open for three quarters of an hour, the outer air and the gas in the Vaults, have become so mixed as to form the most explosive mixture, which could not escape spontaneously in so short a time, because of the large space in the Vaulted arch above the door of the Vault

and the density of the gaseous mixture, which retained it there. Hence the first flame would rapidly did cause it to ignite instantaneously through the whole mixture and hence the disastrous effect of the Explosion

The remedy is simple and can be made perfect without impairing the Burglar-proof character of a Vault—

It is to make tubulure openings in the arches beneath the vault, and corresponding ones above, these last especially to open into the Chimney.

We suggest that the remedy be applied to all the Vaults of the Mint

Respectfully Yours

Signed Jas. C. Booth.
Isaac S. Cassin.

Sept 2 1

Sir.

The remittance of $50 for 5% Com referred to in yours of 21st ult. has not been received at this office.

Mechanics Nat Bank
Newburyport
Mass

Geo Peirce
Per Lindeman
Director
per Thacher
Dis Clk

Sept 3, 8

The Machine tools to be selected by the Chief Constr to be necessary to place the Machine Shops in effective condition, may be purchased and charged to appropriate Consig.

The Examination supposed by the Chief Constr is assented to the purchase of the tools contemplated.

J. H. Lindenmuller

Director

A. L. Snowden Esq
Chief Constr
U. S. Steamer

Sept 5. 8

Telegram

Robt. P. Swann

Superintendent U. S. Branch Mint

San Francisco

Cal.

Send Annual Report and Estimates as early as convenient.

A. R. Linderman

Director.

7th Sept 8

Sir

Yours without date recd this day. The $86 in nickel cents were recd at the Mint, and the proceeds of their receipt $86.24/100 will be forwarded to your address per Adams Ex. Co. this day.

Very Respectfully
J. R. Snowden
Director

C. A. Wellington Cashr
Manufacturers Nat'l Bk
Troy
N.Y.

4th Sept 8

Sir

In reply to Yours of 4th inst I beg leave to enclose for your information a copy of the printed circulars concerning the Redemption of Texts.

Very Respectfully
J. R. Snowden
Director

Jno A Cleaveland Esq
U. S. Treasury
Boston
Mass

Mint Sept 8

Sir

Your favor of the 5th inst enclosing Com-draft for $3, has been received and the Proof set of Silver and Copper Coins forwarded this day to your address per Adams Express Co as requested.

Very Respectfully &c
W. Maclean
Director

C. P. Williams Esq
Asst Albany Exp. Bk
Albany
N.Y.

14th Sept. 8

D. Fri.

The appropriations for the Branch Mint at San Francisco, Cal, for the fiscal year ending June 30 1869 are as follows:

"For salaries of Superintendent, treasurer assayer (assayer) melter and refiner, coiner and six "clerks, $30,500 (thirty thousand five hundred dollars)

" For wages of workmen, and adjusters "one hundred and seventy five thousand dollars.

" For incidental and contingent expenses "repairs and wastage, eight thousand dollars:

" Provided, that hereafter all the "available profits" "of the United States Mint and branches shall be "covered into the treasury to be expended only by a "specific appropriation.

" For specimens of ores, three hundred dollars"

Very Respectfully &c

H Robinson

Director

Robt B Swain Esq
San Francisco
Cal

Sept 7th 8.

Robt. B. Swain
Supt. U. S. Branch Mint
San Francisco, Cal.

I believe a law was passed forbidding such a contract. I have referred the matter to the Department.

J. H. Richardson
Director of the Mint

10th Sept 8

Sir

In answer to yours of the 4th inst a circular containing the information you desire concerning the redemption of Copper-nickel cent is inclosed

Very Respectfully
J. R. Snowden
Director

T. Bray Esq
Schenectady
N.Y.

Sept 11. 8.

Messrs John Shillito & Co

Cincinnati. Ohio,

Gentlemen

In reply to

Yours of 9th inst I have to state

that the Mint does not pay for

Silver in currency. It purchases

Silver at 122½ per Standard

ounce payable in Silver Coin

of less denomination than

5 dollars. You can deal

the Silver

must procure as soon

day to day (subject to market

Enclosed circular contains
information in detail

Respectfully
H. Rodenbaugh
Director

'Copy'

Sept 11th 8

Dear Sir

I take pleasure in acknowledging your attentions, in forwarding two Setts of French Silver Coins, proofs, this day received in Splendid Condition. Will you please to express my thanks to the U S Legation in Paris, and inform me, whether I am to return the value or proofs of our Coins. These Specimens will be displayed in the Glass Case appropriated to France in the Cabinet of the Mint.

The pieces previously received from you, of ordinary finish, and for which I am much obliged, have been cut & assayed and show the expected fineness 900 for the 5 fr, and 835 for the Smaller, these results will appear in my next annual Report, probably with some remarks.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servant

To
J D Stevens Esq
U S Agency. 14 Henrietta St.
Covent Garden London

11th Sept 8

Sir

Your letter of the 6th inst has been received. The mineral specimen therein enclosed has been examined and found to be Iron-pyrites very common and of no value

Very Respectfully
A Lindsley
Director

P. D. Sprankle
Cahoka
Clark Co
Mo

Sept 11th 8

Sir:

Your letter of the 9th inst has been recd. Under the law you have the right to deposit Silver coin of any description for coinage into dollars, but you no doubt understand that two silver half dollars will not yield a dollar coin; the weight of the half dollar having been reduced in 1853 while that of the dollar was not diminished.

The Silver Dollar ~~weighs~~ contains 412½ grs
Two " Half Dollars " (a 192½ grs each 384 "
Both denominations being 900 fine.

Very Respectfully

Director

J. H. Goldry Esq
Oswego
N.Y.

12/Sept 8

Sir

In answer to yours of the 8th inst just rec'd concerning the sale of silver bullion, a printed circular containing the information you desire is herewith enclosed

Very Respectfully
H. L. Linderman
Director
per Pugh

Chas Gabler Esq
Care Mrs Fink
Kirby
Wyandotte Co
Ohio

12/Sept 8

Sirs.

In reply to yours of 10th inst just recd, a printed circular containing the information you desire concerning the redemption of Copper & nickel cents, is herewith enclosed

Very Respectfully
H Linderman
Director

Messrs Kendig & Son
Waterloo
Seneca Co
N.Y.

12th/Sept 8

Sirs

In answer to yours of the 9th inst concerning the redemption of nickel-copper cents, a printed circular containing the information you desire is herewith enclosed

Very Respectfully
H R Linderman
Director

Marshall & Ilsley
Milwaukee
Wis

Sept 14th 8

Sir

The deposit referred to in your letter of 8th inst. received this day, was refused by the weighing clerks on Saturday, because it was so small. It was therefore returned on Saturday 12th inst. A printed circular containing the Mint Regulations on the subject is herewith enclosed for your information

Very Respectfully

J. R. Snowden

Director

F. A. Crabbe Esq.
Dadeville
via Louchepoka
Ala

14 Sept 8

Sirs

In reply to Yours of 10th inst a printed circular containing the information you desire concerning the redemption of copper nickel cents, is herewith enclosed

Very Respectfully
W. Richardson
Director

M. & E. C. Pitcheus
Binghampton
N.Y.

14 Sept 8

Sir

In reply to your communication of the 11th inst would state that there is no premium on the copper cents of 1834 and 1854, and in answer to that part of your letter concerning the redemption of copper cents, a printed circular containing the information you desire is herewith enclosed

Very Respectfully
W. Robinson
Director

Daniel Wilson Esq P.M.
Grafton
W. Va

11th Sept

Sir

In reply to your communication of the 10th inst. a printed circular containing the information you desire concerning the redemption of copper-nickel cents, is herewith inclosed

Very Respectfully
A. R. Boteler
Director

To Russell Chase
Alfred
Allegheny Co
Md

14 Sept 8

Sirs

Yours of 10th inst received. Enclosed you will find a printed circular containing the information you desire concerning the redemption of nickel copper cents

Very Respectfully
H L Lindeman
Director
per J. P. L.

Messrs J. Wright Esq
Cleveland
O.

Sept 14 8

Sir

In reply to your communication of the 7th inst just recd, concerning a specimen enclosed herein, would state that the specimen has been analyzed and found to be Metallic Zinc, Not Ore or but manufactured and worth from 10 ¢ to 12 ¢ per lb

Very Respectfully
C. A. Zindenman
Director
per J. F 2.

James H. Todd
Tuscumbia
Miller Co.

Sept 14 8

James B. Longacre Esq
Engraver

Please have struck as soon as convenient two silver medals from the dies of the Pennsylvania Female College, Collegeville Pa, now in your possession.

Very Respectfully &c
H. Lindeman
Director

Sept 15th 8

Sir

Yours of the 10th inst has been rec'd and in reply would state that Congress has made no appropriation for the employment of any officers or men at the Branch Mint authorized to be established at Carson City Nevada.

Very Respectfully &c
H. R. Linderman
Director
per D.F.L.

W. Jones Esq
St Joseph
Mo

Sept 15 8

Sir

In reply to yours of 12th inst I herewith transmit to your address a copy of my annual Report of the operations at the Mint of the U.S. for the year ending June 30. 1867. The Report for this year has not yet been issued.

Very Respectfully &c
H. R. Linderman
Director
per Lewis

D. Lewis Esq
29 Willow Place
Brooklyn
NY

Sept 12th 8

Sir

Yours of 10th inst rec'd. The information you desire concerning the redemption of nickel-copper cents, will be found in the printed circular herewith enclosed

Very Respectfully &c
H. R. Linderman
Director
per J. J. L.

C. W. Beadle Cash
Nat Bk of Chemung
Elmira
NY

Dept 17 8

Sir

Your favor of the 9th inst is received and contents noted We shipped you 5 $ coins for the amount in pennies received The only redress you will have is the Express to you forwarded by

Yours Respectfully
H. R. Linderman
Director
per J. P. L.

Smith & Corlett
Baltimore
Md.

22
469 1/4

Sept 8

J Andrews Esq (Cashier)
Newburyport Mass

Dear Sir

I Send You To day per Adams & Co Express. Fifty Dollars ($50) in. Five cent nickel coins, for Amt rec'd in yours of Aug 20th. Recpt of which please acknowledge

Yours Truly
W Robinson
Director

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469 1/2

Sept 15th 8

Mess G. Johnson & Sons

Port Jervis N York

Dear Sirs

The Box & bag containing nickle cents, referred to in your letter of Aug 31st, have not yet come to hand

Yours Truly

H. J. Linderman

Director

& RMM

Sept. 21. 8

Dear Sir

In reply to yours of the 19th instant relating to the redemption of Copper Cents. I would state that the act of May 16th 1864 forbids the exchange of five cent pieces at the Mint for cents issued under former acts

Other acts of Congress have the same provision in regard to One, two and three cent pieces

The old cents are therefore worth only their market value for Copper namely about 25 Cents per pound, say 4 pieces.

They do not answer our purposes so well as the Copper from Lake Superior, and therefore we do not buy them, I regret that there is no law for their redemption on some suitable terms, which would act also as a restriction upon over issues, a matter over which the Mint has no control.

Respectfully Yours

R. Loxterman

Director

B. A. Cunningham Esq.
Frederick
Maryland

Sept. 22 &

Gent:

Some years since the United States Mint imported a number of large Porcelain Pots, which were made by you, and shipped to this city through the House of Johann A Müller & Co of Bremen

I now desire to obtain twelve (12) more such pots, and write to you to learn whether you are prepared to fill the order.

The dimensions of the Pots are 22 inches in diameter and 24 inches high. They have a lip on the upper rim and two handles of Porcelain attached to the side.

If you are disposed to accept and fill this order, you will please address me at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, U States, when I will make arrangements for you to draw the proceeds of the order (or part of it) upon shipment of the same to Mess Jno A Müller & Co or any other House in Bremen.

Very Truly
H. Lindemann
Director

Mrs.
C. Ex. F. Arnoldé
Gotha
Saxony
Germany

Sept. 28 8

Sir,

The usual monthly count and examination, made this morning before business hours exhibited the following balances in the hands of the Treasurer of the U.S. Mint.

Gold	$424.016.14
Silver	5.791.15
Ordinary Fund	1.831.23
Copper "	164.650.45
San Francisco Br	10.869.67
Denver "	.52
Charlotte "	104.24
	$723.263.44

Corresponding with the balances as stated on that Officers books of account.

Very Respy
Your Obt Svt
A Loudermilk
Assistant

Hon
Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of Treasury
Washington D.C.

Sept 25th 88

Sir

In reply to yours of 23d inst reporting a bag of 50 pieces (½) two dollars short I would state that the full amount was delivered to the Express Co by the Director your claim must be made on the Company delivering it

Respectfully Yours
W. L. Ambrose
Director
per A. Kacher
Asst Clk

John White Jres
First National Bank of
Oskaloosa
Iowa

Oct 1st

Sir,

In your letter of the
1st inst. you directed $2.00 to be
sent to Israel & Birch, Salem Co.
N.J. & you please give us the County, as
there are 3 Salems in N.J. informing us there are three
Salems in Va.

Very Respectfully
Yours &c
Rhodes & K

Farmers Nat Bank
Newburgh

Oct 2d 8

Sir

On the 30th ult. I made examination of the books and monies on hand in the Office of the Assistant Treasurer at Philadelphia and found a balance of $6,405,919.14 which corresponds with the Statement of account for that day

Very Respy
H. R. Linderman
Director

Hon
Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of Treasury
Washington
D.C.

Oct 6th 8

Hon Hugh McCulloch,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Sir.

Pursuant to law, I have this day issued my Warrant for the transfer to the U. S. Treasury of the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100.000) on account of Profits on the Central Coinage. The Amount has accordingly been paid to the Asst. Treasurer of the U. S. at Philadelphia.

With great Respect,
Your obt. Servant,
W R Linderman
Director,

Oct 12 8

Geo. L. Phillips Esq

Dear Sir

I return Thanks for the gift to the Mint Cabinet of Coins, of a very fine Specimen of the copper two-pence of England, 1797. The weight 878 grains (intended for 2 oz. av?) shows that in those days they put nearly the whole intrinsic value of copper into the coin; a very useless luggage, according to the modern ideas.

Yours truly

J. H. Robertson

Director U.S. Mint

Oct 14 8

2nd

June 30 69

Forty Eight thous.
and four Hundred

July 1st. 68

9.500.00
31.250.00
6.250.00
150.00
1.250.00
$48.400.00

H. R. Lindeman
Director

Hugh McCulloch

Oct. 15, 8

Messrs Caldwell, Conant & Co.
P.O. Box No. 5882.
New York.

I have Yours of
Yesterday. With enclosures stated.

I suppose the
Rate offered by the Pacific Mail Steamship
Co. of 1 3/4 ct per lb. included all the Machinery
& for the Cars en Mint without, particular reference to the
date at which it should be forwarded.
I so understood it will thank You
to bring the subject to the attention of
the Company - We have yet about
25 000 lbs to be forwarded, say about
the last of the present month.

Very Respectfully
H Bowen Duncan
Director

Oct 15th 8.

Geo. F. Dunning Esq.
Supt. U. S. Assay Office
N.Y.

Sir.

I will thank You to furnish me with the Annual Estimates of Your Office for the next fiscal Year.

Respectfully Yours,
F. Kleinsmann
Director

Oct 19 8

Capt.

Your communication of 15th inst relating to a charge of $5.00 on a shipment of gold & silver, made by the Express Co in addition to the usual express charge has been received.

The Express Co report the following

$5 was for Express charge for bringing the Box from New Orleans & 30¢ was for the bag the gold & silver was put in when returned, which is the usual charge.

Very Resp

Asst

Mch.

M & M Samuel

Mississippi

Co

Oct. 19. 8

Sir.

Your favor of 16th inst has been received.

The Mint apparatus for distilling amalgam is not of sufficient capacity to render it practicable to receive the deposit to which you refer. It is therefore declined.

Very Respectfully
H R Linderman
Treasr.

Jno A Yale Esq
Room No 23 Portland Block
Chicago
Ill

October 26th 8

Dear Sir

It gave me much pleasure to receive your letter dated at Hong Kong 23d July. The facts it contains are very interesting, and such of them as are proper to be made public will be stated in my next Annual Report, to be made to Congress (through the Treasury Department) at the next meeting early in December. A copy will be sent to you, at the adaress you have given in London

I do not exactly understand from your letter, whether the late Mint at Hong Kong was strictly an institution of the British Government, or whether it was a private or company enterprize; or whether it occupied a midale, semi-official position. I presume the latter

As the coins of your Mint

which have reached us have been very few barely enough for Cabinet Specimens, we have not assayed any of them as yet but take it for granted they are fully up to the alleged Standard

It is much to be regretted that the Hong Kong Mint evidently well organized and managed, and fitted to be of great service to commerce, has been discontinued

I am agreeably surprised to find a dollar divided according to our centesimal notation, and even the postage stamps similarly expressed

There seems to be no tendency there towards adopting the French system or basis

I heartily accept your courteous offer to maintain a correspondence in whatever position you may be placed - A similar correspondence, maintained for many years with Mr Field the accomplished Assayer of the Royal Mint at London has been of

much advantage to this Institution both in the assaying and die-sinking

I am very respectfully

Your faithful Servt

Hon. T. H. Kinder
Capt. &c &c
late Master of the
Royal Mint Hong Kong

Oct. 21st 0

Sir:

The coins referred to in yours of 20th inst. were shipped to National Exchange Bank Boston & Oct 1st Adams Express Co on Oct 1st.

Ninth National Bank
New York

Very Truly
N. L. Linderman
Director
per Thacker
Vice Pres

Oct 21 8

Sir:

The claims referred to in yours of 17th inst were shipped to your address by Adams Express Co on Sept 23d

First Nat Bank
Decorah
Iowa

Geo Leahy
W L Lindeman
Directors
per Thacher
D. Clk

Oct. 23 P

Sir:

I am in receipt of your communication of 20th inst requesting that your office may be furnished with $4.000 in 5¢ Coins.

I herewith transmit a copy of the regulations for the distribution of the small Coins.

The rules of the Mint require that all orders must be accompanied by the money.

Very Respy
H. R. Linderman
Director

J. D. Geddings Esq
Asst Treas U. S.
Charleston
S. C.

If you have not funds on hand to send us an Exchange for five cent nickel Coin, I suppose the Treasury draft U. S. will be your application, order the transfer of the amount desired.
H. R. L.

Oct. 23 8

Sir:

In reply to yours of 22 inst I am
to state that the cams ordered by you on
12th inst will be shipped in a few days.

J. L. Kline Esq
Belvidere
N. J.

Very Respy
Thacher
for Director

Oct 24 /

Sir:

In reply to yours of 20th inst I would state that the $ & Coins referred to were shipped to your address per Adams Express Co on the 19th inst.

Yours Resply
H L Linderman
Cashier
per A Thacher
Asst Cash

Branch of the
Mechanics Bank
Kansas City
Mo

Dear Sir.

Oct 6.

I

I am to the Post this morning, to send
part of my Answer to Speech (Sandiston's
to Sandiston) that may be called the last
I send just a few words for Smith,
and hope it may not be too late
for part of Sunday. The answer from
Bywater was from a Gentleman
whose opinion of [illegible] and would be
valuable to [illegible]. They cannot
act for Ally or any other Company
since.

I see an article of Comp[illegible] of the
[illegible] and Chronicle of [illegible] 6. Like -
wise [illegible] Sandiston's Speech, which
[illegible] I have not seen. I am
glad we have another Chronicle
[illegible] and
[illegible] for any new Coalition.
[illegible] Lord Sandiston [illegible]
Lords [illegible] nothing but Gout
[illegible]

Office of the Special Agent
of the Treasury
Philadelphia Oct. 29 1868

Sir:

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Denver "	.52
Charlotte "	$3.52
Carson City "	16.972.55
Total	$268.070.27

which corresponds with the balances as stated on that Officers book of accounts

Chas Risley

Hon
Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of Treasury
Washington
D.C.

Yours obt Svt
H R Linderman
Director

Oct. 29 [illegible]

Sir.

On the 2[illegible] inst I made examination of the books and monies on hand in the office of the Assistant Treasurer at Philadelphia and found a balance of $6.297.374.31 which corresponds with his statement of account for that day.

In the above the following was counted as Cash viz:
Certificate of Temporary Loan $203.51

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Secretary of Treasury
Washington
D.C.

Very Truly
Your Obt Svt
H R Linderman
Director